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## JAPANESE CONTROL TSINAN.

## SOUTHERNERS FORCED TO EVACUATE.

## SEVERE FIGHTING AFTER STRONG JAPANESE ULTIMATUM.

## STRONG FEELING IN JAPAN.

Drastic measures adopted by the Japanese troops at Tsinan yesterday have, it appears, given them complete control of the situation. It is stated that the whole of the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway is in Japanese control, while the Southerners have been forced to evacuate Tsinan.

Details of the fighting at Tsinan are scanty, no report having been received of the casualties suffered.

Chinese sources declare that the resumption of fighting was consequent upon the presentation of Five Demands by the Japanese, threatening to bombard the city if a satisfactory reply was not forthcoming within twelve hours. The Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, in the absence of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, said it was impossible to reply within the time limit. This is said to have led to the renewal of hostilities.

Japanese opinion is stiffening according to a message from Osaka, where the *Asahi*, formerly consistently opposed to the despatch of troops to Shantung, now demands vigorous measures while the *Manichi* fears that all hopes of peaceful diplomatic settlement have been shattered.

## AMERICAN MEDIATION STATEMENT.

Shanghai, May 9. The government at Nanking is now considering the extension of an invitation to the United States to mediate in the Sino-Japanese conflict. General Fukuda, the National Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at 3 p.m. on Monday, Chinese reports say, the Japanese General threatened to bombard the city if the terms were not satisfactorily replied to within twelve hours. The demands were:

1.—All Nationalist soldiers and officers who took part in the clash with the Japanese Defence Force on the 3rd inst. to be severely punished.

2.—All Nationalist soldiers who have been taking part in the troubles to be disarmed.

3.—All Chinese troops to be evacuated immediately to an area 20 miles outside Tsinan and the Kao-chow-Tsinan railway area.

4.—The Nationalist Government to suppress all anti-Japanese propaganda within different districts under its control.

5.—Sinchwang and Chanchwang to be used as temporary barracks by the Japanese.

Southerners Ousted.

That further fierce fighting took place at Tsinan yesterday between the Japanese and the Southerners, and that the Nationalists have been practically driven out of Tsinan, is disclosed by Shanghai cables from Chinese sources, the Chinese being highly incensed at the Japanese operations.

Owing to Marshal Chiang not being in Tsinan when the demands were made, the Nationalist Foreign Commissioner declared that he could not reply to the demands within the limited time. This, according to Chinese reports, accounts for the resumption of the fighting.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

Strong For Action.

Osaka, May 9. A complete change of view is displayed by the newspaper *Asahi* which in an editorial to-day deplores the fiendish massacre of Japanese civilians by Southern troops, and considers that it is now imperative to maintain troops to safeguard Japanese nationals and to secure reparations.

The *Asahi* has been consistently opposed to the despatch of troops to Shantung, but in view of the gravity of the situation temporarily shelves its opposition to Baron Tanaka's China Policy, and concedes that the Premier must take vigorous measures to protect Japanese residents in China from the inhuman molestation by armed brutes.

Pence Hopes Shattered.

The *Osaka Mainichi* fears that all hopes of a peaceful diplomatic settlement will be shattered when the Southerners persistently and deliberately attack the Japanese garrison. The Japanese commander has been patient and conciliatory and has only made up his mind to fight when the honour of his country was trampled upon. The national honour, the journal says, must be upheld at any cost.—*Reuter*.

Rejoinder Polite.

Washington, May 8. The Japanese Consul in Wuhu boarded a Japanese destroyer yesterday and has left the city. Anti-Japanese placards have been exhibited all over Wuhu and on Monday, a detachment of Japanese sailors landed and des-

## U. S. VICE-CONSUL IN RIVER.

## MR. WALTER WILSON'S SUICIDE.

## CORPSE RECOVERED BY SAMPAN-MAN.

## OFFICIAL DENIALS.

Shanghai, May 9. The body of the American Vice-Consul, Mr. Walter Wilson, who has been missing since May 1st, has been found in the Whampoa River below the Baptist College.—*Reuter*.

The *Telegraph's* Shanghai correspondent states that Mr. Walter Wilson disappeared after writing respondent letters—alleging that someone was paying for persecution directed against him.

Allegations had been made damaging to his character, including a suggestion of blackmail.

Two days ago the golf kit of Mr. Wilson was found on the bank of the river, and the previous theories that he had committed suicide were confirmed.

## Official Statement.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, May 9. The body of Mr. Wilson was found a mile beyond the point where his golfing kit was found, thus ending an eight-day search in Kiangsu and Chekiang for the missing Vice-Consul as the result of suggestions that it was a surreptitious disappearance.

A sampan-owner discovered the corpse lying in shallow water in close proximity to the bank at low tide, and the identity was established through documents found in his pockets.

Mr. Cunningham, the U.S. Consul-General officially states that there is no foundation for the suggestions of blackmail or of perjury.

The late Mr. Wilson was apparently obsessed with imaginary troubles, inasmuch as no irregularities have been found. His service throughout has been thoroughly satisfactory, and his private life was blameless.

## BIG CANTON FIRE.

## FORTY HOUSES SAID TO BE DESTROYED.

A big fire, which destroyed some forty houses and involved four streets, broke out in Canton shortly before five o'clock on Tuesday morning in Ka Dai Street.

For three hours the fire raged

and houses in Man Hing Lane,

Luen Shing Lane and Lin Fo Lane

were involved. The damage must

be very considerable, but it cannot

be estimated at present. One

small child perished in the fire.

Following unsuccessful attempts to storm the Japanese posts on Monday night, in which many Nationalists were killed and wounded, the Japanese yesterday presented demands, which they proceeded to enforce when the authorities failed to comply.

## Railway in Japanese Control.

All principal points in the city have been seized by the Japanese, overcoming easily what slight opposition was offered, while it appears that coincidentally all the main stations along the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway have been occupied by Japanese troops. The whole line is now under Japanese control.

## Tsingtao Incident.

The Chinese now allege an unpleasant incident at Tsingtao. It is declared, though no authoritative information is available, that Japanese soldiers after a dispute over a Chinese small boy, surrounded and attacked the Chinese Police Station. Details are not given.

## Wuhu Landing Party.

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## HIS EXCELLENCY LEAVES.

## THIS MORNING'S SEND-OFF AT QUEEN'S PIER.

## LARGE GATHERING.

His Excellency, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., and Lady Clementi, together with their children, departed from the Colony on leave by the a.s.s. Empress of Russia this morning.

Some considerable time before eleven o'clock, at which time H. E. and family were due to arrive at Queen's Pier, a large company had assembled, including naval and military representatives, members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, judges, heads of departments, representatives of the Consular Bodies and many leading residents from the European and Chinese communities.

On the Praya, a guard of honour was provided by men of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, under the command of Major B. C. Lake, D.S.O.

The first car to arrive brought the Misses Clementi and Master Clementi, His Excellency and Lady Clementi arriving a few minutes afterwards, escorted by Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C.

The Governor inspected the Guard of Honour after which he

shook hands with those assembled and was the recipient of the best wishes for a pleasant holiday.

His Excellency and family boarded the steam-launch Victoria which, escorted by two police launches, took them to the a.s.s. Empress of Russia, lying at the Kowloon Wharf.

Among those present were Major General C. C. Luard (G.O.C. South China Command), Commodore and Mrs. J. L. Pearson, Lt.-Col. L. J. Comyn, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Lady Chow, the Hon. Mr. E. Hallifax, the Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kilewall, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Sir Henry Gollan, Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, the Right Rev. Dr. C. R. Dupuy, Bishop of Victoria, Bishop Valtorta, Mr. Justice Jacks, Mr. R. E. Lindell, Mr. A. E. Wood, Commander and Mrs. J. B. Newill, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sayer, Mr. A. Morris, Mr. J. T. Bagram, Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Mr. J. W. Franks, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, and the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

Three Lancashire batmen scored centuries, Watson garnering 223 before succumbing, while Ernest Tyldesley was not out when the declaration was made.

Northants fought hard, but were forced to follow on, and dismissed in their second effort for 228, were defeated by an innings and 16 runs.

The scores were:

Lancashire: 528 (for 4 wks. dec'd.)

Northants: 284 and 228.

Lancashire collared the Northants bowing quickly, and flogged it mercilessly. Watson made 223, Hallow was dismissed as soon as his 100 appeared on the board, and Ernest Tyldesley made 140 not out.

In the Northants first innings, Richard Tyldesley met with considerable success with the ball, taking 8 wickets for 62 runs.

As the Empress of Russia left, a salute of 17 guns was fired.

After His Excellency's departure, the Hon. W. T. Southorn, Colonial Secretary, was formally sworn in as the Officer Administering the Government of Hong Kong by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan.

The ceremony took place at Government House and there were present a number of members of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

## ANOTHER BIG GOLF CHALLENGE.

## AMERICA COMES BACK WITH FOURSOMES OFFER.

New York, May 8. Having provisionally arranged a challenge match for \$5,000 between MacDonald Smith and Archie Compton, following the latter's sensational victory over Walter Haver, the Lakeville, Golf Club, Breakneck, Long Island, where MacDonald Smith is professional, announces that it is prepared to back Smith and Gene Sarazen against any pair in the world.

The Club is prepared to offer anything up to \$10,000 for the event, and if the challenge is accepted, proposes a foursomes match over 72 holes, the first 36 to be played at Lakeville, and the remainder at any club selected by the challengers.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Southerners Evacuate.

It is stated that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has now complied with the demands of the Japanese commander and he ordered the Nationalist troops in Tsinan to evacuate.

Only a small number of troops have been left behind, and the headquarters will shortly be moved from Tsinan to Chengdu, near Tsinan.

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Slater, the Derby fast bowler, was

batting first, Notts gave an inconsistent display. Tate took 6

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In reply, Sussex compiled their huge total of 516, Bowley contributing 144, J. Parks hitting out for 162, while Langridge made 114.

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## WEST INDIES TOUR.

## Visitors Win First Match.

The first match of the West Indies tourists in Great Britain was played at Derby, the visitors achieving success by two wickets in an exceptionally low scoring game.

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### CHINESE FACULTY.

#### RESPONSE FROM THE CHINESE COMMUNITY.

The following are the active members of the Hongkong University Chinese School Fund Committee who are soliciting donations to the fund. The sum of \$126,000 has been raised in a few days, and this speaks much for the enthusiastic support of the Chinese Community for the scheme for promoting Chinese studies at the University.

The members are Messrs. Li Yiu-tsun, Wong Kwong-tin, Li Yik-mui, Ma Tau-chin, Lau Shing-chow, Tam Woon-fong, Lo Chung-kui, Chan Tsun-nin, Li Hol-fung, Tang Shiu-ku, Kwok Tsuen, Au Lim-tsun, Au Siu-cho, Ng Yu-hon, Au Long-hin, Wong Yin-tung, Ip Lan-tsun, Wong Pak-sun, Ng Wah, Ng Yu-cham, Leung Pat-yu, Lui Yam-suen, Tsui Ka-po, Ng Yiu-tung, Wong Ping-suen, To Chak-man, Fung Heung-chuen, Chan Tin-sun, Ho Wah-shang, Li Chi-sun, Tong Yat-chuen, Yu Cheuk-sang, Chan Ping-yu, Ng Yin-wan, Chan Chung-sun, Mak Shiu-cho, Tao Cheung, Ma Wing-chan, Li Shing-kui, Kwan Yik-chi and So Sau-nam.

The following is a list of those who have given donations.

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### DUTIABLE WINE.

#### CHARGES AGAINST CHINESE MERCHANT.

Charges against the Tai Leo Wine-shop of 117, Queen's Road East, for the possession of dutiable wine and for failing to keep a correct record of duty labels issued by the Imports and Exports Office, were concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, yesterday afternoon.

The master of the shop, examined by Mr. M. K. Lo for the defence, said the 338 gallons of wine he had in his shop at the time that Revenue Officer Grimmett called, was duty-paid.

In explaining the shortage of three of the regulation red labels issued to him by the Department, defendant said a folk had mixed up these labels with those of another shop, and had affixed two of those to mistake on jars of wine sold to the latter. The third missing label had been applied to a jar containing ten catties of wine retailed to a customer an hour before the arrival of R. O. Grimmett.

Witness produced certain books of the firm and was cross-examined by Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, of the I. and E. Office, in respect of certain entries therein and the method of book-keeping.

#### NO WILFUL KNOWLEDGE.

Mr. M. K. Lo then said that as Mr. B. Hawkins, who brought the summons, did not try seriously to dispute the theory as regards the mixing up of the red labels, he must ask his Worship to accept the defendant's explanation as the true one.

In commenting on the powers conferred on the Governor to make all kinds of regulations under this Ordinance, Mr. Lo submitted that such elasticity could also be applied to remedying defects.

He took an one point, the regulation regarding the keeping of a record of red labels which made a man a criminal offender if he did not, for example, apply punctuation marks in the proper places or if he added two and two to make five.

To discover whether an offence had been committed, they must fall back on wilful knowledge or deliberate intention to defraud, and Mr. Lo submitted that such elements were absent from the present case.

Then there was a doubt raised as to the origin of the stock of wine in the shop, simply because the Revenue Officers could not discover for themselves the information they wanted.

His Worship pointed out that the position was that the Department not being sure as to the origin of the stock, was merely taking out this summons to have themselves satisfied on that point.

#### WIDE POWERS.

Continuing, Mr. Lo suggested that with their wide powers, the Department could very well issue their own system of book-keeping by which they could keep themselves better informed of the transactions of each wine-shop. As it stood, those wide powers and regulations of an elaborate character, had apparently conferred on officers the right of ingress, and egress to any wine-shop and examining the books and accounts whenever they felt disposed to do so.

He felt that if the onus had been thrown on the defendant to disprove such charges, the burden was not a heavy one. With their experience, the Department should have seen fit, months and years before now, to say that those books should be kept in the proper way. They had not done so, and the present was not the proper time for them to take objection.

He therefore asked his Worship to accept the defendant's explanation of how he recorded the transactions in question.

Mr. Hawkins disagreed with Mr. Lo's remarks in regard to the onus thrown on the defendant to disprove the allegations contained in the last two charges, and stated that because defendant had not discharged the onus, there was no reason why the case should not be

### ENQUIRY ASKED.

#### LOCAL SENTENCE IS CRITICISED.

London, May 8.

In the House of Commons, replying to the Labourite, Miss Wilkinson, who urged that an enquiry be made into the passing of a sentence of six months' hard labour and a birching on the Chinese, Young Ping-wing, of Hongkong, for possessing seditious literature, Mr. Amery said that the sentence accorded with the law and did not call for a special enquiry.—Reuters.

pressed against him on the two other counts.

#### TWO CHARGES DISMISSED.

It was shown that the jars in transit from one shop to another had been re-labelled, and there was only one conclusion to draw from the employment of the used green labels, and that was to defraud the revenue or smuggle wine on which duty should have been paid.

Mr. Hawkins added that a petition had been sent by the Department suggesting certain reforms in the book-keeping system of these shops, but that it had fallen through.

His Worship in giving his decision, stated he accepted defendant's explanation as regards the red labels, and under those particular circumstances he would dismiss the charge against him. His Worship also felt that the defendant did make a genuine attempt and has sufficiently discharged the onus against him in respect of the stock of 380 gallons of wine. Defendant would also be discharged on this count.

On the third charge of being in possession of 10 gallons of other wine on which it was proved that duty had not been paid, his Worship imposed a fine of \$100. On the further count of allowing 10 jars to be in the shop without proper labels on them, his Worship imposed an additional fine of \$200.

### ARMED ROBBERY.

#### DARING HOLD UP IN HEART OF CITY.

Another daring robbery was perpetrated in the heart of the city, early last night when the office of the Shanghai Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Des Voeux Road Central, was entered by a band of six or seven men who proceeded to hold up everybody in the place.

Immediately after they entered the bandits asked for Ko Wing-po, the manager, and on being told that he was writing a letter the thieves approached him and at the point of their revolvers forced him and the three other inmates, two servants and one visitor from Canton, into the bath room situated in the rear part of the premises.

They then bound the four men with iron wire and from the manager secured the key of the safe, which they opened. Hongkong money, notes and silver, to the amount of about \$1,500 and jewellery valued at over \$2,000 were stolen.

According to the victims, the bandits did not ask for the keys of the other safes, which contained no money or jewellery, and from this it is conjectured that they were familiar with the place.

After staying on the premises for about fifteen minutes the thieves decamped. The inmates declared that all the desperadoes wore short jackets and that only two of them were armed with revolvers.

While the Police were still investigating the case on the scene, one suspect was detained by a Chinese detective, who brought the culprit back to the scene for the victims to identify him. A search of the body of the suspect revealed that he possessed a large amount of bank notes. It is not known whether the police later released him or not.



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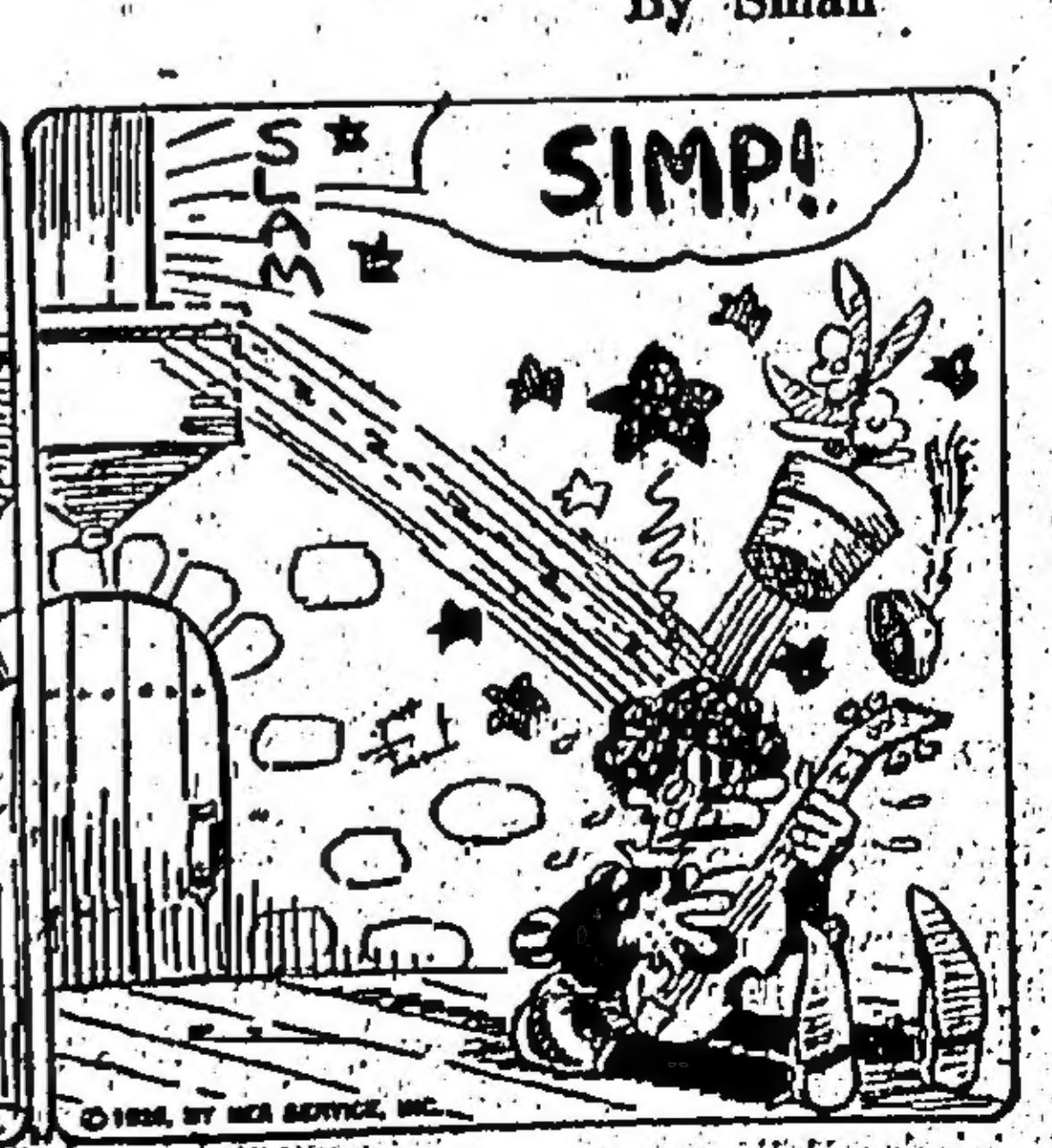
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**LANE, CRAWFORD  
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, on Saturday, 19th May, 1928, at 12 noon.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 9th May, 1928, to 19th May, 1928; both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

S. J. JORDAIN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1928.

**BRITISH LEGION**

**HONGKONG BRANCH.**

The 7th Annual General Meeting will be held at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, 11th May, 1928, in the Board Room of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Business. To receive the report and accounts for the year 1927.

To elect officers, etc.

A. PIERCY,  
Hon. Secretary.

**MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD  
OF CHINA.**

**HONGKONG BRANCH.**

Members are requested to attend a regular Monthly Meeting at the GUILD OFFICE, 67, Des Voeux Road, Central (DAVID HOUSE); on THURSDAY, 10th May, at Six o'clock p.m.

**BUSINESS.**

Elections and General.

W. J. STOKES,  
Branch Secretary.

**MACAO CHARITY AND  
COMMERCIAL FAIR.**

**AUTUMN 1928.**

The attention of the public is drawn to this praiseworthy effort in aid of the funds of the Macao Holy Institute of Mercy, established in 1569.

Admission Souvenir Tickets are now available.

Merchants and Manufacturers interested should communicate with the Organising Secretaries of the Macao Charity and Commercial Fair, Macao.

**THE CANTON INSURANCE  
OFFICE LTD.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

The Forty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on Thursday, the 17th May, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1927.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1928, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th April, 1928.

**MACAO RACES.**

**EIGHT-EXTRA RACE  
MEETING.**

SUNDAY, 13TH MAY, 1928.  
First Race 1.15 p.m.

Public Enclosure ..... 40 cents

Members Enclosure ..... \$1.00

**RACE STEAMERS HONGKONG  
TO MACAO.**

Sui An ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Taishan ..... 9.30 a.m.

**MACAO TO HONGKONG.**

Sui An ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Taishan ..... 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

S. W. CHENG.

**LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.**

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

TO-DAY,  
the 9th May, 1928, commanding at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street,

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

Comprising:—

Teak Bookcase, Hatstand, Cretonne Covered Couch and Armchairs, Glass Cabinets, Decks, Office Chairs, Clothes Hanger, Gramophones, Records, Carpets, Rugs, Oil Paintings, Pictures, Ornaments, Curios, Electric Table Fans, etc., etc.

Teak and Oak Dining Tables, Dining Chairs, Sideboards with Bevelled Mirrors, Dinner Wagons, Ice Chests, Dinner-Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.

Teak and Iron Bedsteads with Mattresses, Teak and Oak Wardrobes with and without Mirrors, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Chamber Stands, Side Tables, Toilet Crockery, Commodes, etc., etc.

Also

A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture.

Comprising:—

Teapots, Curio Cabinets, Marble Top Round Table, Marble Top Stools, Chairs, Joss Tables, Opium Stools, Jardiners, Folding Tables, etc., etc.

And

1 "White Frost" Refrigerator.

2 "Remington" Typewriters.

1 American Ice Chest.

1 "Morrison" Cottage Piano.

2 Enamelled Baths with Fittings.

1 Oliver Typewriter.

6 Woollen Blankets (New).

1 Roll Endless Felt.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view from Tuesday, the 8th May, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, May 2, 1928.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

on MONDAY,  
the 14th May, 1928,  
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

At "Villa Manola," Sapseon Road, (off Victoria Road) Pokfulam.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield Couch and Chairs with Fancy Cretonne Covers, Large and Comfortable Armchairs, Silk and Embroidered Cushions, Silk and Net Curtains, Carpets, Large Satsuma, Porcelain and Lacquer Vases, Lacquer Tea Pots, Brass Ornaments, Marble Busts, Pictures, etc., etc.

Teak Extension Dining Table, Teak Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard, Teak Glass Cabinets, Tables, Silver and E. P. Ware, Diner Service, Tea Sets, Electric Ceiling Fans, Brass Standard Lamp with Silk Shades, Electric Lamps and Fittings, Teak Ice Chests, etc., etc.

Teak Bedstead, Teak Wardrobe with Bevelled Glass Doors, Teak Dressing Tables, Chest of Drawers, etc.

Enamelled Bath and Bath Room Requisites.

also

A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture.

and

A Large Cooking Range and Hot Water Tank and Cooking Utensils.

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Saturday, the 12th May, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 28, 1928.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

The Undersigned have received

instructions to sell by Public Auction.

on THURSDAY,  
the 10th May, 1928,  
at 11 o'clock a.m.

At Godowns Nos. 47 and 50, The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

(for account of the concerned.)

86 Bales Old Newspaper.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 28, 1928.

**SHARE PRICES.**

**TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.**

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1280 n.

Chartered Bank, \$21 b.

Mercantile A. & B., \$331 n.

P. and O. \$101 n.

East Asia, \$75 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$680 n.

Union Ins., \$343 b.

North China, Ins. Tls. 140 n.

Yangtze Ins., \$47 b.

China Underwriters, \$21 b.

China Fires, \$215 n.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$760 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$40 s.

H. K. Steamboats, \$281 b.

H. K. Tugs, \$23 s.

Indo-Chinas, (Dof.) \$78 b.

Shell Trans., 90/- n.

Union Waterboats, \$201 b.

Mining.

Bongtou, \$24 n.

Kailana, 60/- n.

Langkats, Tls. \$131 n.

Shai Exploration, Tls. 2.85 n.

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## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

### Young at Forty.

[By a Nurse.]

"Women are at their best at forty," remarked an eminent specialist recently. "By then they have acquired poise, serenity, and a mature charm that is very attractive."

That is rather nice to know. And, yet, nearly every woman, when she reaches the age of forty, has an instinctive feeling that something she wishes to retain, is fast slipping from her.

And that is Youth.

But Youth is not determined by age of the body. Old age is caused by wearing emotions, dull and colourless surroundings, indifference to bodily health, and by excesses of all kinds.

The woman who is young in spirit will never look old, no matter how many years her birth certificate gives her.

Contact with children and young people acts as a vitaliser.

One cannot laugh and play with youth, without some of the glamour falling on oneself.

Their enthusiasms, and clear-eyed way of looking at life and people, have a stimulating effect on the woman who takes the trouble to love them.

To hold Youth, there must always be an interest. The magnetic, lovable women of all ages have had this faculty of being interested in things outside themselves.

#### Find a Hobby.

A woman is losing her youth, only when she ceases to find life interesting.

If there is any inclination to get in a "rut" find a new interest.

There are hobbies to suit all tastes. Many of them can be remunerative, but even if they are not, there is the joy of effort, and the thrill of achievement.

There are countless clubs, where women may find congenial companionship.

Health is a paramount factor. The woman who possesses good health, will look and feel years younger than the woman whose health is precarious.

Diet must be considered, as women at this age have a tendency to accumulate fat. Quality, but not bulk is required.

It is wise to cut down meat to once a day. All dairy foods should be taken freely, also fruit, vegetables, and salads.

Lemons are splendid. They are an internal antiseptic, and act beneficially on the liver.

The juice of one in a tumbler of hot water, taken every morning fasting, will do a good deal towards retaining a soft, and clear complexion.

Exercise in the open air is important. It is easy to join a club for some game or other.

Never think, "Oh, I'm too old for that sort of thing. I'll leave that to the young folk."

This mental attitude is fatal. Do not let the idea of age creep into your mind. Don't sit back. Join anything, do anything, that will bring you in contact with young, jolly, happy people.

We women are so affected by surroundings that it is well to introduce as much colour and harmony into our homes as possible.

Pretty things cost no more than drab ones, and the effect on the spirits is far-reaching.

Make the most of your appearance, your health, your intelligence, and there is no reason why forty should not see you at the height of your power and charm.



There is no worry or anxiety in rearing Baby healthfully and happily, even in a tropical climate, when Glaxo is used as Baby's food.

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The Hon. Blanche Dundas, sister of the 6th Viscount Melville and aunt of the present Peer, has died at Huntingdon at the age of 82. Dr. Jeno Sipocz, Mayor of Budapest, has arrived in London with about 40 of his countrymen on an informal and private visit.

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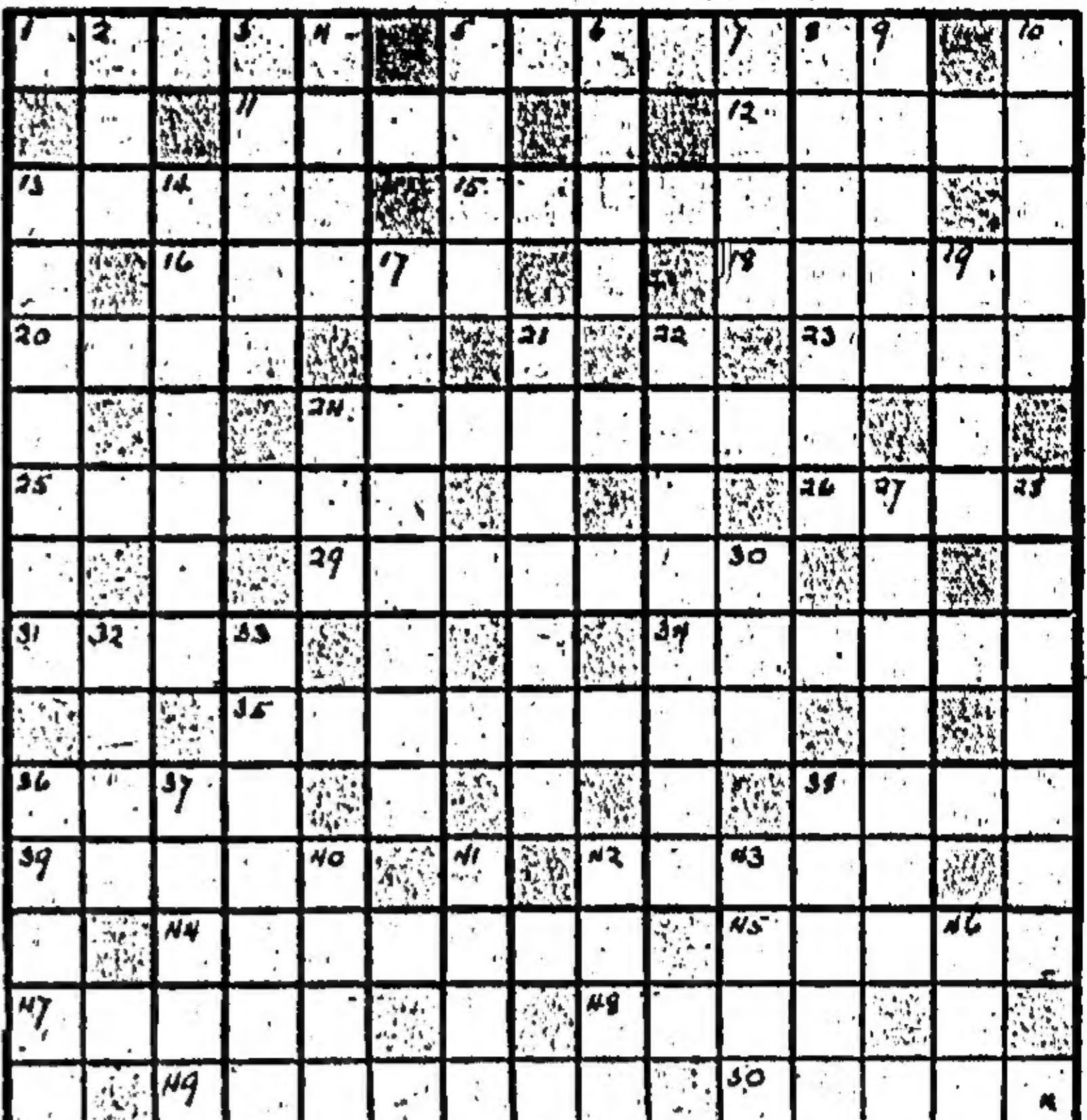
### FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



### Mother's Baking!



### OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



1. Playing card with two spots.

2. Entangled.

3. Relating to the ear.

4. Derived from oil.

5. Large public room.

6. Kind of barometer.

7. Barn.

8. Cliff.

9. Plump.

10. Evils.

11. Obvious.

12. Sepoy.

13. Fish of the herring family.

14. Mingled with.

15. Compound of sodium.

16. Precious metal.

17. Ancient Roman silver coin.

18. British shrub of plum genus.

19. Gond.

20. A standard weight.

21. Nest of a hawk.

22. Warmed thoroughly.

23. Opened out.

24. Summit.

25. Prescribed quantity.

26. Machines for cutting grain.

27. Species of poplar.

Across

14. Plant belonging to an order between mosses and ferns.

17. Hedge.

19. Bone of the forearm.

21. Place where clothes are washed.

22. Restores courage to.

24. Exclamation expressing triumph.

27. Hung fluttering in the air.

28. Ridiculed.

30. It is (Cont.).

32. European capital.

33. Appertaining to a gland.

36. Seasoning.

37. External.

38. Languishes.

40. Know facts.

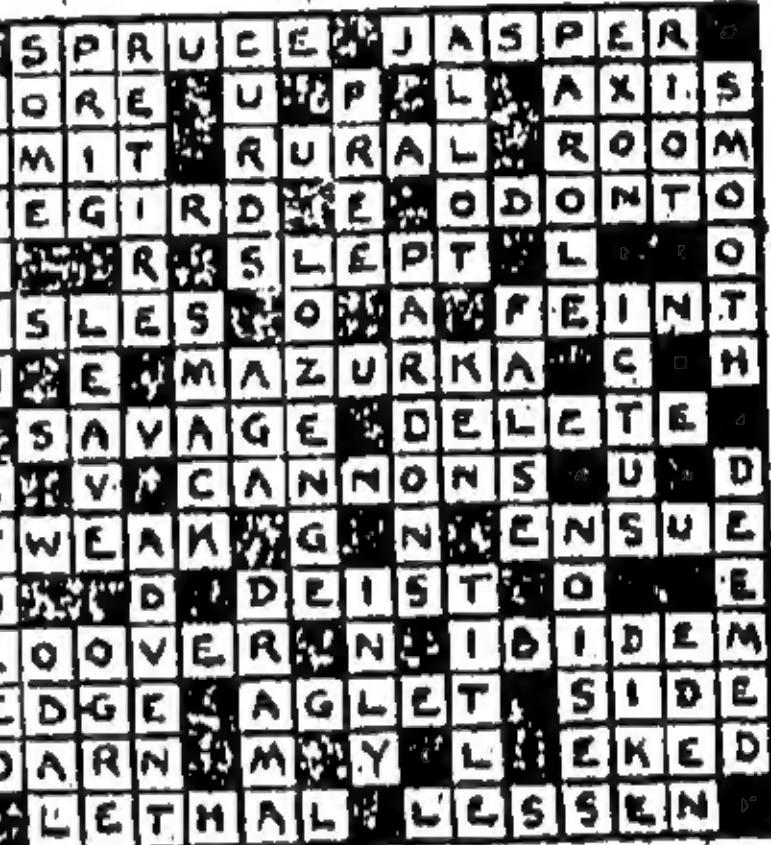
41. Growth on the eye-lid.

42. Joints.

43. Species of Astic deer.

44. Congealed water.

Yesterday's Solution.



2. Age.

3. Cry of the Australian aborigines.

4. Volcano.

5. Tax.

6. Affirmative replies.

7. Famous battle.

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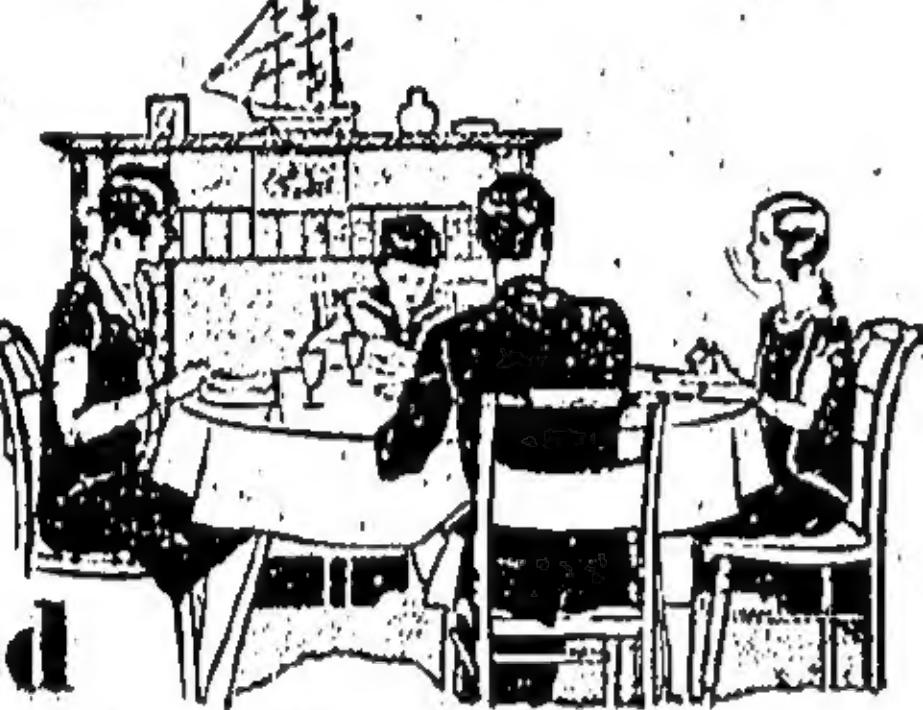
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### The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1928

### THE TSINAN CRISIS.

The hopes entertained over the week-end that there would be no further clashes between the Chinese and Japanese military forces at Tsinanfu broke down yesterday, when news came through of a renewal of the unfortunate conflicts. Whilst still holding the view that the Japanese were in unlawful occupation of the commercial area, the Chinese authorities had apparently ordered all Chinese troops and officials from this region, with a view, as Marshal Chiang Kai-shek stated, to avoiding further serious developments. According to Tokyo reports, however, this arrangement was broken by the Nationalist troops, who are accused of having for the second time ignored their orders and to have launched an attack on the Japanese forces. If that is really the case, there can be no question as to who is to blame for the recrudescence of the trouble. At the time of writing, however, we have only the Japanese version of the causes which led to a renewal of hostilities. It would be wise, before passing judgment, to learn the Chinese explanation of this regrettable turn in events.

To the impartial observer, it is extremely difficult to apportion blame for the events of the past week in Tsinanfu. The Japanese explanation of the first clash was that their defences had been withdrawn from the Japanese quarter on the Nationalists guaranteeing protection, but that most immediately afterwards, there was an rush of Southern troops who started indiscriminate looting and firing. The Chinese versions have been that the fighting was occasioned by Japanese soldiers arresting Nationalist propaganda agents and by a refusal to permit certain unarmed Chinese troops to pass the point where the Japanese were on guard. We gather these Chinese allegations from various reports contained in Press cables, but, so far, we have not encountered any official version of the commencement of the trouble, beyond a suggestion contained in a declaration by the Nationalist Foreign Minister that on entering Tsinanfu the Japanese troops "fired ruthlessly at our soldiers and people." Few people, however, will be prepared to regard this latter statement as an ade-

quate explanation of the origin of the clash. Knowing the delicate position in which they were placed, the Japanese military commanders would scarcely be likely to precipitate serious trouble by such unwarranted tactics. But in the absence of statements by wholly disinterested eye-witnesses, such as have not yet come to hand, it would be politic to lay aside the question of responsibility for the tragic happenings. At the moment, feeling in both Chinese and Japanese circles is so inflamed that reports from either quarter seeking to pin down responsibility for the occurrences should be taken with reserve.

That the presence of Japanese troops in Shantung should be represented by the Chinese at the present juncture is only natural. There were protests when the intention of despatching them was first announced, and there have been many since. It is, however, only fair to attempt to look at the matter from the Japanese standpoint, which is that, after lengthy deliberation, the Government came to the conclusion that no other course could be consistent with the Premier's declaration of August last when he announced to the world his determination to protect the interests and lives of Japanese nationals in China at any cost.

There are, it must be remembered, some ten thousand Japanese in Tsingtao alone, with over two thousand more in Tsinanfu, to say nothing of the extensive Japanese business interests in both cities. "Japan has not forgotten the Nanking incident," said a Tokyo Government spokesman recently, "and public opinion in this country demands that our people in China be protected." There were fears, according to this official, that the Chinese soldiery might get out of hand as they did at Nanking; not that the commanders would not desire to protect foreign interests, but that they would not be able to do so. That extensive looting has occurred, not only of Japanese but of other foreign property as well, and that terrible atrocities have been committed on civilians, there seems little room to doubt. But it has yet to be established whether these things happened before or after the first clash at arms. All we can now hope is that, even at this late hour of the day, some means will be found to bring this suicidal conflict to an early end, so that peace may be restored in the East. For a continuance of these outbursts can only lead to events of even greater gravity.

### The Rumanian "Thriller."

The intrigues of an ex-Crown Prince, who, for the sake of a red-haired woman, renounces his right of accession to the Throne in favour of a six-year-old son, to find later that his ambitions are stronger than his resolution, and plots to overthrow the Regency, sound more like the theme of a novel from the pen of a William Le Queux or a Baroness D'Orczy than current Rumanian politics. And the facts relating to hunting in Godstone wood by Scotland Yard detectives for an aeroplane supposed to be an ex-Crown Prince to his country when the coup d'état was to be effected, and only an attempted assassination or so is necessary to make the story worth the while of Mr. Edgar Wallace. Yet these are the facts concerning the aspirations of ex-Crown Prince Carol, of Rumania, to the throne which would have been his but for his "adventures" with Madame Lupescu. Up to yesterday he was residing in England, but Home and Foreign Office officials are not grateful to harbour a meddlesome, if mettlesome, personality, and have suggested, in other words, that he might conduct himself to a more healthy climate. Prince Carol must have derived much amusement from the wild assumptions on a simple visit to a London cinema to see "We are all Gamblers" but that his movements are being followed so closely is indicative of a certain knowledge that something unusual relating to Rumania is in the air.

The Liberal Government, in power in Rumania, is endeavouring to discount the stories of revolutionary plots by the Peasant Party, and evidently does not think that the Peasant leader, seeking an interview with the Regency at Bucharest, interesting developments are possible within the next few days.

### DAY BY DAY.

YOU WILL FIND HALF THE BATTLE IS GAINED IF YOU NEVER ALLOW YOURSELF TO SAY ANYTHING GLOOMY.—L. M. Child.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashgar, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 a.m. on Friday.

The Empress of Asia left Yokohama yesterday at 5 p.m. and is due at Hongkong on the 16th inst.

The motor vessel Javanesse Prince, from New York, sailed from Shanghai yesterday morning, and is expected to arrive here to-morrow afternoon.

The U.S. President Jefferson, arriving from U.S. ports and Shanghai, reports the death of a Chinese, Yee Moe-an, on May 4th, one day before arriving at the latter port.

The M.S. Talleyrand, of the Norwegian, Africa and Australia Line, left Lisbon on 1st inst., and is expected to arrive here on or about 10th June, with cargo from Norway and ports.

A mashed lavatory at Whitfield Barracks caught fire yesterday evening and was almost entirely destroyed. The Kowloon Brigade received the call at 7.30 p.m. and despatched two appliances to the scene.

In the advisement of the Anderson Music Company, on another page of this issue, there is a deliberate mistake. To the first person who detects the error and reports same to the Company concerned will be presented free a 10-inch record of his or her own choosing.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University, left for Marseilles by the M. M. liner Chenonceau yesterday. By the same boat there also travelled Dr. Felix d'Horta, Dr. Ramon de Santos, Rev. Father Saurin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Cabral and Mr. A. F. de Garcia.

A reward of \$1,500 has been offered by the Singapore police for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a Dutch born Holland, named Thio Kim Chuan, who is wanted for criminal breach of trust in respect of rubber valued at \$87,200, the property of the Netherlands Trading Society and also 10,000 gunny bags, valued at \$2,950, the property of Chop Nam Seng Watt.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 20 arrivals and 23 departures, of which four and 10 respectively were British, leaving 61 vessels in harbour of which 16 were British. Tonnage was increased, but inward freights were extremely low, there being only three returns of four figures. Through registries were better, with some high individual returns, three vessels entering in ballast only.

An extraordinary incident occurred in the Penang District Court last week during the hearing of a charge against a bankrupt, Messrs. Hastings Rhodes, Saunders and Finch, who appeared for the defence, withdrew from the case and left the court whilst the case was proceeding. It appears that counsel objected to the evidence of one of the witnesses and when the Judge overruled the objection counsel withdrew.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Empress of Russia today were Major and Mrs. G. F. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. L. Stansfield, Mrs. B. D. F. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Greene, Mrs. W. A. Nowers, Engineer Commander H. G. Marshall, Capt. O. Mitchell, Mr. R. R. Roxburgh, Mr. H. Beatty, Mr. J. H. Bottomley, Mr. A. Morris, Mr. M. E. Durand and Mr. W. Brown.

He is, probably finds it difficult to understand that there should be any resistance to his economic policy, which while settling external debts and improving the value of the leu, has also been achieved at a terrible cost. Trade is almost throttled, partly by the tremendously heavy import and export taxes, partly by lack of capital, and again by inefficient transport facilities; and while internal trade is thus stagnant, it is not unexpected that those heavily burdened seek any avenue of relief, however doubtful the offering. It may be, as M. Iaea states, that there is no backing in Rumania for Prince Carol's aspirations, but it is significant that M. Maniu, the prominent Peasant leader, seeks an interview with the Regency at Bucharest. Interesting developments are possible within the next few days.

### CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS.

SHAREBROKER AND OPIUM SMUGGLERS.

Ho Hung, who described himself as a sharebroker, appeared before Major C. Wilson this morning, charged with possession of 140 taels of prepared opium. He was arrested during a raid by Revenue Officers on the Tai Chung Kwok Boarding House in Des Voeux Road.

The defendant was represented by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, who pleaded guilty on his behalf but declared that defendant had been made a scapegoat.

Mr. Remedios said a friend of defendant's told him to go to the Tai Chung Kwok restaurant to meet a prospective client. He went in the company of his friend and three others.

On arrival at the restaurant, the supposed share-broker was nowhere to be seen, and Ho and his friend waited in the restaurant whilst the other three men went "to look for the would-be investor."

Ho's friend then told him of a scheme to smuggle opium and promised him 10 cents for each tael he carried. He consented, and it was at this moment that the Revenue Officers arrived. His friend managed to escape but Ho was caught.

Mr. Remedios asked his Worship to be lenient with the defendant in view of the special circumstances.

The Chief Preventive Officer agreed that the defendant was not a principal.

A fine of \$5,000 or in default six months' hard labour was imposed.

### TRUCULENT OLD MAN.

#### ARGUED AGAINST COURT'S SENTENCE.

An old Chinese was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, at the instance of a Sanitary Inspector, for using the basement of his house at 39, Square Street as sleeping quarters.

He disputed the evidence, stating that the men who were found lying in the basement were enjoying a pipe of opium after their day's work.

The Sanitary Inspector said that when he visited the premises, it was well past eleven o'clock in the evening.

Of the six men whom he found in the basement of the building, one was lying asleep on a canvas bed, while the others were stretched out on mats and were smoking opium.

On being fined \$25 and warned against a repetition of the offence, defendant argued against the penalty and was sharply ordered by his Worship to "go away."

He then said he was unable to pay the fine.

His Worship indicated that the alternative would be 14 days' imprisonment.

### OBTAINED PAPER ON HIS FACE.

#### BUT TWO THIEVES TRY A SECOND TIME.

Two Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, charged with obtaining two lots of paper by false pretences.

The men presented themselves at the Ying Cheong Sang, a stationer's shop, at 200, Des Voeux Road Central, a few days ago and obtained twenty catties of brown parcel paper.

One of the men was known as an employee of the Man Lee Chan firm and the paper was handed over without question.

Yesterday they sought to obtain a further fifteen catties of the paper. In the meantime however, the man had been discharged from his employment and they lost no time in communicating with the police.

Pleading guilty the defendants were each sentenced to eight weeks' hard labour.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

London, May 8.	
Paris	124
Brussels	34.55
Amsterdam	12.10
Berlin	20.40
Copenhagen	18.19
Vienna	84.675
Helsingfors	193.25
Lisbon	2.34
Bucharest	78.45
Buenos Aires	47.12/16
Shanghai	2.7/16
Yokohama	1.10/16
New York	4.88/1.10
Geneva	25.325
Milan	0.245
Stockholm	18.19
Oslo	18.225
Prague	164.5
Madrid	28.15
Athens	37.25
Rio	5.59/64
Bombay	1/5.31/32
Hongkong	2.074
Silver (spot)	27.74
Silver (forward)	26.18/16

British Wire 16.

### The Very Idea!

Mrs. Smithson had a terrible temper, and her husband was much in awe of her. One day, in his own den, he was discoursing to a few choice friends concerning some of her peculiarities.

"I have thought for some time," he said, "that my wife was utterly devoid of taste, but the other day she put on a new dress in which she out-herded Herod. It was so awful, and as she went out I leaned out of the window to have another look at her."

At this moment his wife entered suddenly—"And the funniest part of the whole thing," went on Smithson without turning a hair, "was that they found the cow eleven days after on the third platform of the Eiffel Tower."

Mrs. Smithson never understood what there was in this silly statement to make them all laugh so much.

Tim, Tim, Tipperary Tim.  
Won the National (good for him).

Thought forty-two were after startin'.

Only he and Billy Barton  
Over all the fences dartin'.

Had the winning vim.  
The bookies cheered the most.

As Tim skinned past the post,  
Oh, I wish I'd had a fiver  
On Tipperary Tim.

Seeking employment in a London office, a cockney lad caused astonishment when he confessed that his previous situation had been an engagement at a South London home as a maid-of-all-work. After making repeatedly unsuccessful efforts to obtain "manual" work, this fifteen-year-old lad decided to make a round of offices in the city. "I had to get up very early in the morning," he told his prospective employer, "and my first job was to get the breakfast ready. During the day I had to serve at table, answer the doorbell, scrub the floors, make the beds, run errands and clean the boots and silver. My employer was very good to me, but the housekeeper was always saying I didn't do enough work. My wages were twelve shillings and sixpence (\$3.00) a week, and I had time off when I could get it." He is now employed in the London office and can make an excellent cup of tea.

North London man: When they saw my face they shouted "Murder!"

Barrister to a motorist at Bow County Court: How often had you used the road where the accident occurred? Motorist: Once too often.

Wife, promising at Bow County Court to pay off debt: I will stop his supper beer.

Stratford lodger: A

## RIOTS IN SINGAPORE URGED.

## "RED" SERVANTS SENT FOR TRIAL.

## SEDITIOUS MATTER.

The killing of Consuls of the various nations; the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Director of Education, the Governor of Singapore, the Resident Councillors and military and naval officers was advocated in a document described by Inspector Kemp, in the course of a police court prosecution at Singapore last week, as one of several seditious publications he found in the possession of two Indians during a raid on the servants' quarters of Lieut. Wilson's house on Mount Faber.

Inspector Kemp stated in reply to Court Inspector Farquharson that that document was called "Method of Riot."

The two Indians were present in Court on an allegation of being in possession of seditious documents. Inspector Kemp stated that banishment warrants had been executed on two other Indians arrested during the raid.

In all 18 pamphlets were found. One of these was headed "Blood Light," and contained seditious statements. Another pamphlet described as "General Principles of Propaganda On Carrying Out Singapore's First Riot." Among other things, oral, written and oral propaganda were advocated, and use of bombs and firearms.

Materials for the manufacture of bombs similar to those used during the shoemakers' strike were found.

An opalograph was found, and a roll of paper similar to that of which the pamphlets were composed.

Lieut. C. J. Wilson, Deputy Registrar of Shipping, stated that the first accused had been one of his "boys;" the second accused his cook.

Magistrate:—You will be pleased to hear they were plotting your personal destruction.

Witness stated the "boy" had been with him six months; the cook, rather less.

Inspector Farquharson:—While they were with you, would it be correct to say they were constantly having visitors?

Lieut. Wilson:—That was my complaint.

The prisoners were committed for trial on a charge of being in possession of seditious documents.

## CAUGHT WITH DYNAMITE.

## MAGAZINE WATCHMAN IS SENTENCED.

The arrest of a magazine watchman yesterday with a quantity of dynamite and detonators in his possession led to suspicions being directed against the owner of the quarry concerning the illegal use of dynamite which is issued to him under licence.

On the watchman being charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with being in possession of 200 sticks of dynamite and 200 detonators, Sub-Inspector James, prosecuting, said the defendant was arrested going from the magazine on the Tai Wan Road, to the Tai Wan mench. He was carrying a sack, which, when searched, was found to contain the dynamite.

When questioned, he told the police that he had received instructions from his master to take the dynamite to the beach to hand over to a man. The owner of the magazine lived at Shaukiwan and at the time could not be found. He later, however, went to the Police Station.

The magazine, continued Sub-Inspector James, was empty, although according to the man's licence he was issued with 800 sticks of dynamite five days ago. It was possible that the master had instructed the watchman to hand explosive to some boat people. The master, when called before the Worship, denied that he gave defendant any instructions regarding the dynamite. When asked what he had done with the remaining 600 sticks, the defendant said he had used them in his house.

Worship intimated that it was impossible to use that quantity in five days. The watchman was fined \$100, the alternative of two months' imprisonment.

## RAIN FORECASTED.

Royal Observatory report states: A fresh anticyclone developed over North China. A depression covers Japan. It is situated more to the S.E. of Aparri and is moving westward.

It is not till noon to-morrow that east winds, moderate and cloudy, probably rain

## SHANGHAI HOTEL SCHEME.

## THE SASSOON HOUSE PROJECT.

## NEW HOTEL CO. TO HAVE LEASE.

## PART AS OFFICES.

The arrival in Shanghai from India of so distinguished a visitor as Sir Victor Sassoon draws public attention to final plans regarding the new Sassoon House, shortly to lend its architectural beauty and modern facilities to the Bund at the corner of Nanking Road, says the *N. C. Daily News*.

Sir Victor arrived on the str. Athas, and will remain in Shanghai for approximately one month, when he will go to Hongkong, about June 1, for a fortnight before returning to India.

## Hotel Scheme.

Commenting on Sassoon House, in which offices will be available for next autumn, Sir Victor said that it had now been definitely decided that the upper part of the building would be utilized as a hotel. The plans were being carried out to have the Bund entrance of the building for the hotel, a handsome loggia and staircase indicating this, as well as a lounge beyond. Another lounge would be on the Jinkee Road side of the building, it was pointed out, with an entrance also from Nanking Road where all the customary facilities for an eleven o'clock cup of coffee, etc. would be available for the public.

The first and second floors would be let as offices, chiefly to legal firms, doctors, dentists and other professional men, and the whole of the third floor would be offices of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd., and their associate firm, Arnhold & Co., Ltd., with the exception of an extensive suite of offices which would be occupied by Messrs. Hansons, solicitors.

The Claridge's of the East.

The front part of the fourth floor had been let to the American Women's Club and was being laid out as club premises with accommodation included for residence, and the remainder of the fourth floor, together with the fifth, sixth and seventh floors would consist of luxurious bedrooms and suites at what the management aimed at making the "Claridges" of the Far East.

An additional large lounge set back from the main line of the building on the Nanking Road frontage, the eighth floor on that side, was included in the hotel accommodation, as was, on the Jinkee Road side, similarly set back a billiard room and other rooms for the hotel residents and guests.

Money Needed.

As for the hill top, in order to carry out improvements money was necessary. Unfortunately now many of the foreign residents were away and as a consequence the taxes were not paid so that there was insufficient money, not sufficient even to pay the police.

He therefore appealed to his foreign friends to persuade their acquaintances to return to Kuling to the end that the resort would again thrive.

He did not intend to go into the question of who owned the Estate, or whether it was private property, but he proposed to form a joint Council for the whole of Kuling to consist of four Chinese gentlemen interested in Kuling, four foreigners who could speak Chinese, and the Mayor of Kitkiung as Chairman. All taxes collected would be in the keeping of this Council and no money could be expended without the Council's permission. In this way the interests of the lollholders would be fully protected.

## KULING'S FUTURE OUTLINED.

## JOINT FOREIGN AND CHINESE COUNCIL.

## NEW MAYOR'S SCHEME.

Kukkiang, Apr. 22. An interesting ceremony took place yesterday afternoon at the house of Mr. James Chang, the well known local Chinese business man, when his son, George Chang, was formally installed as Mayor of Kukkiang and Deputy Defence Commissioner of Heun Hu (Kukkiang Hukow).

Mr. George Chang has many foreign friends, whom he kindly invited to attend at the ceremony, a happy augury of the co-operation which it is hoped his term of office will bring about between the Chinese and foreigners in Kukkiang.

## Oath Taken.

After the playing of the National Anthem, the reading of the Tsang Li's will and three bows to his portrait, Mr. Chang took the oath of office. Congratulatory speeches were then made by the Defence Commissioner, the Chief of the Public Peace Bureau, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, and other official and business representatives. Speaking on behalf of the foreigners present, the British Consul thanked Mr. Chang for his kind thought in inviting them to the ceremony and wished him the best of luck in his new position.

## Schemes For Kuling.

Mr. Chang replied in both

Chinese and English. His English speech was for the benefit of the foreigners present and he took the opportunity to make a statement about Kuling.

Mr. Chang stated that as Mayor of Kukkiang and Deputy Defence Commissioner he would be responsible for Kuling. He was anxious that foreigners should return to Kuling as in the past had hoped that many of them would go there this summer. He would guarantee their safety. He had troops stationed at Lien Hua Tung, Nanking and Shaho and was quite sure that while his men held those strategic positions no trouble could occur on the mountain.

He was anxious to carry out improvements in the hill resort and if the provincial Government's funds allowed of it, he proposed to arrange for the Government to take over the motor car company and the transport coolies. This would result in improved service and lower charges.

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## CROWN COLONY PROBLEMS.

## MR. ORMSBY-GORE ON STRAITS VISIT.

## DANGERS OF BAD EDUCATION STRESSED.

## SYSTEM CRITICISED.

A dinner given at the Europe Hotel, Singapore, last Wednesday by the Straits Settlements Association in honour of the Rt. Hon. W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore, Under Secretary for the Colonies, was fully representative of the British professional and mercantile communities.

The function was notable for the fact that it was the first occasion on which the toast of the Colonial Office had been acknowledged by a representative of that office at a Singapore gathering. In responding, Mr. Ormsby-Gore declined to discuss subjects of current controversy in the Colony, but made an interesting reference to the Colony's responsibility in the matter of the Singapore naval base, and enlarged upon the new conception of the functions of the Colonial Office and of the relationship of the colonies, protectorates, and mandated territories to each other and to the British Empire as a whole.

The New Partnership.

In the course of his speech, Mr. Ormsby-Gore said:—"It is quite a mistake to continue to regard His Majesty's Government in Great Britain as the sole imperial Government. Ever since the vital change in inter-imperial relations enunciated in the Balfour Committee report at the Imperial Conference of 1926 we have had to think of the constitution and organisation of the British Empire in new terms, and the position of the colonies, protectorates, and mandated territories as partners in the British Commonwealth of Nations has got to be borne in mind. The relations of the various parts of the Empire are undergoing considerable change. Quite frankly, that is why I am here today. That is why the Colonial Office in recent years, under successive Secretaries of State, has made it abundantly clear that it concedes that the machinery of Empire can only be effectively worked if both Ministers and permanent officials of the office in Downing Street spend less of their time at their desks and more in the Empire overseas. (Applause.)

Continuing, Mr. Ormsby-Gore said:—"There is hardly a part of the territories in relation with the Office in Downing Street that has not received a visit either from a Minister, or from one of the permanent officials since the present Government has been in power. It so happens that no Minister and no members of the Colonial Office staff has previously visited Malaya. Quite frankly, I may say that it has become all the more necessary that there should be these visits since it has become the settled and determined policy of the Labour Party to send out members of their Party to all the colonies as often as they can." A Voice: Quite right.

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## OVERHEARD ON PHONE.

## MESSAGE THAT LED POLICE TO MAKE AN ARREST.

When Joseph William Curran, aged 39, described as a sculptor, Loinster-square, Bayswater, was charged at Marlborough-street Police Court as a suspected person loitering with another man, not in custody, with felonious intent, at Argyll-street, W., it was stated that a detective overheard him say during a telephone conversation in a shop: "All right; two o'clock Oxford-circus Tube Station." Detectives went there, saw him meet a man, and arrested him.

Detective Sergeant D. Weir stated that during the time that he had Curran under observation he had been associating with some of the cleverest housebreakers and most dangerous people. House-breaking implements were found at his address. The man who gave them to him was the cleverest housebreaker in London. Curran had not been convicted before, and these people were using him as a tool. He thought Curran was a man of good character.

Mr. Cancellor sentenced Curran to two months in the second division. Mr. C. Grobel, defending, intimated that there would be an appeal.

## A TRIPLE PACT.

## ITALY'S TRADE OVERTURES TO TURKEY AND GREECE.

Rome, Apr. 6. The meeting at Milan between Signor Mussolini and Tewlik Bey, Turkish Foreign Minister, following on the talk at Rome with M. Micalacopoulos, Greek Foreign Minister, foreshadows a tri-partite scheme for the development of trade, and the betterment of relations between Italy, Turkey and Greece.

Italy's present need is trade. Any special advance, political or commercial, made towards Turkey alone would have raised alarm in Greece, and vice versa. Accordingly conversations were begun between the two Foreign Ministers and the Italian representative at Geneva to clear any misunderstandings, and the fact that meetings with the Duce at Rome and Milan have followed shows that the way is paved for a peace pact. The fact will be important as opening new business routes in Asia Minor, and also as indicating a tendency of Turkey to move towards the West, away from Russia.

## ZIG-ZAG CYCLISTS.

## ONE FINED AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING.

A special watch is being kept by the Kowloon traffic police to discourage the dangerous practice of cyclists monopolising the entire roadway by following a zig-zag course. The offenders are, in most cases, beginners.

Whilst out on special duty last night, Sergeant Bayating followed a young Chinese cyclist for some distance before overtaking and arresting him for being on the wrong side of Nathan Road. When the lad was overtaken he suddenly swerved to return to the correct side but, in doing so, he fell and nearly went under the rear wheel of a bus.

He was promptly arrested and when brought before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, he was fined \$4.

His Worship pointed out the danger which defendant was causing not only to the general public but also to himself by ignoring the traffic regulations.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

## TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

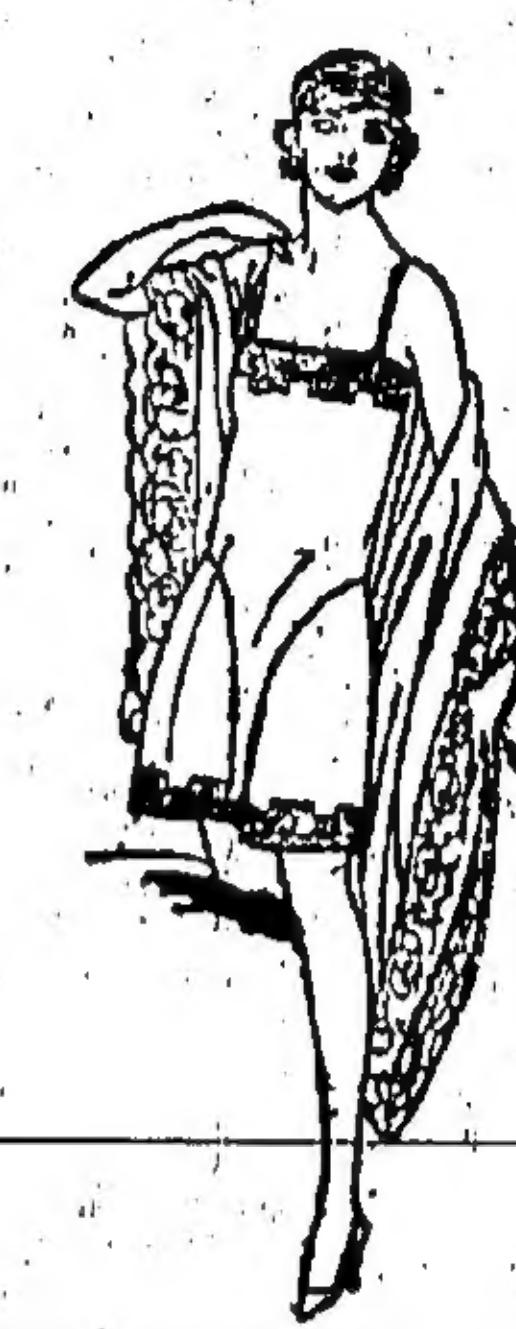
- 1 Who holds in custody the Great Seal of England?
- 2 What name do Christians give to the week before Easter? What is Thurday of this week called?
- 3 What Parliamentary Act regarding birds came into force recently?
- 4 What is the only natural frontier of Poland?
- 5 Where are the following: Pephawar; Tahiti; Samarkand?
- 6 What is a catamaran?
- 7 What was Mrs. Battie's favourite game?
- 8 State the approximate weight of a cricket ball.
- 9 When was an entire navy captured by a squadron of enemy cavalry?
- 10 Who was Cleon?
- 11 Name the first Tudor king and the first Stuart king.
- 12 What is (a) gone, (b) pop-corn?

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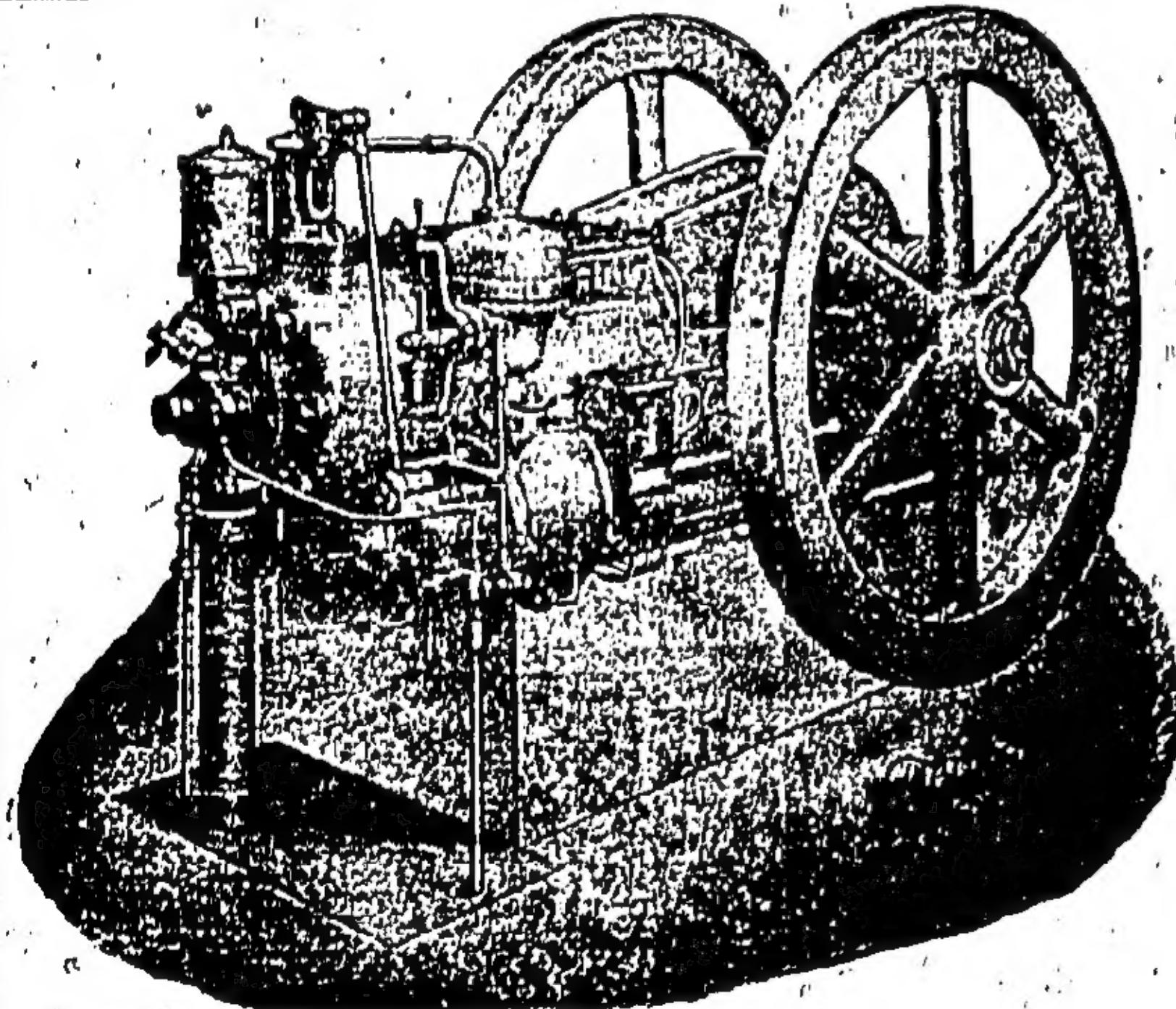
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In an attempt to set up a new record the Oriel Boat Club, eight rowed from Hammersmith to Oxford and back, a distance of 204 miles, in four days.

Tactical exercises were carried out in Long Valley, Aldershot, by the 47th Division (London) Territorials.

Ten persons were killed and 30 injured in motor accidents in France on Easter Sunday.

George Alfred Attersole, 70, a painter, fell from a window in Great Ormond-street, W.C., and died from his injuries.

## THE WORLD of SPORT.

## POINTS IN NEW CRICKET SEASON.

## HAPPY AUGURY FOR FINE SUMMER.

[By P. F. Warner in the London Morning Post.]

One of my most vivid recollections of Ruby is the cawing of the rooks in the great elms in the Close. The echo of their chattering used to penetrate into the class rooms, and the memory of those far off days came rushing back on me when an enthusiastic gardener told me a week or two ago that "we were in for a fine summer, as the rooks were building their nests on the outside of the trees."

Thus he declared was a sure and certain sign of warm dry weather. May a prophet in his own country for once win renown! Another such summer as that of 1927 would be little short of disastrous to cricket.

The season that is before us should be of interest if only because in September M. C. C. are sending out a side to Australia—and we

shall be selecting our own particular team—a harmless amusement and one indicating our enthusiasm for the game. Our victory at the Oval in 1926 has galvanised and revived our cricket, and M. C. C. should be able to get together a powerful team, especially in but-

ting. Our bowling strength is doubtful, until we know whether Larwood's knee is quite sound. Should the operation which he underwent at Christmas time prove to have been successful, he and Tate will form a fine pair of bowlers, and better, so far as we can judge at this distance, than any two bowlers Australia can produce at the present time.

If there is one lesson which recent tours in Australia have taught us, it is that we must, if possible, avoid a tall to our batting, and looking at the probable list of bowlers and wicket-keepers I think we shall, on this occasion, get rid of this weak spot in the make-up of an international side.

## An Imperial Sport.

It is 25 years since M. C. C. first undertook these tours abroad, and since then they have sent teams to the uttermost part of the earth, North, South, East and West, not only throughout the British Empire, but even further afield. Just as trade follows the flag so does cricket follow the Marylebone Flag.

Wherever M.C.C. teams have appeared a love of cricket has followed. And in these days when cricket has become the interest of half the world whether we turn for guidance but to the Club which has been in existence for 140 years, which is the Law-Maker and recognised authority of the game, which has grown up with the game, which has fostered it, and which has ever endeavoured to preserve its finest traditions?

M.C.C. is the mother and trustee of cricket, and in its hands the conduct of these tours abroad is in safe keeping. That financial gain does accrue from these expeditions is not denied; but it was not always so, nor is it so now in tours other than those to Australia, and the profit obtained is used for the furtherance of the well-being of cricket.

## West Indies' Tour.

Another interesting feature of the season will be the appearance of a West Indies team. They are to play three test matches—and are meeting all the first counties, M.C.C., the two Universities, and England XI, H. D. G. Loveraon-Gower's XI, &c. At another time I shall deal fully with the team.

At the end of July M. C. C. are conducting a minor operation across the North Sea in sending an amateur side to Holland. It is fifty years since cricket was first played in Holland. Three matches of two days each are to be played, two at The Hague and one at Haarlem. A veteran who has played cricket in many climes will be in charge of the expedition.

## Lancashire.

Turning to the counties, Lancashire believe that they will win the Championship for the third year in succession, and it is certain that they are a difficult side to beat. Tydesley batted magnificently in South Africa, and is a resourceful and attractive player who must be a strong candidate for Australia, especially as his qualifications are not confined to the actual field of play. Like his famous brother, J. T. Tydesley, he is, in every way, a credit to his profession.

## COUNTY CRICKET FEATURES.

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the outstanding feature of the match.

The scores were:  
Derbyshire: 159 and 177.  
West Indies: 155 and 185 (for 8 wickets).

Derbyshire first gained a lead of four runs on the first innings, Slater bowling brilliantly against the West Indies and taking eight wickets at a cost of just three runs apiece.

Requiring 182 to win, the West Indies gave an improved display, the winning hit being a stroke to the boundary.

## HANTS' RECOVERY.

Saved From Defeat.  
At one time in the match between Hants and Surrey at the Oval, Hampshire were in a very precarious position, but they made a brilliant recovery after being forced to follow on, and the game was drawn, Surrey gaining points for a lead on the first innings.

The scores were:

Surrey: 459.  
Hants: 224 and 454 (for 6 wickets).

Surrey batted soundly for their total, consistency being the feature of the game. No individual reached three figures.

Hampshire's second innings recovery was principally due to a sound display by Newman, the well-known all-rounder, who hit 115 before he lost his wicket.

## LIGHT-BLUES ERRATIC.

Two Varsity Centuries.  
Cambridge University first demonstrated their batting strength and then their weaknesses in the match against Leicestershire at Cambridge. Two centuries in the first innings, enabled them to put up a big enough score to force their visitors to follow on after some fine bowling by Blundell.

Leicester's second innings was marked by an excellent recovery, and Cambridge were set the problem of scoring 183 in a short space of time.

Cambridge collapsed in their second innings and narrowly escaped defeat.

The scores were:

Cambridge U. 381 and 73 (for 6 wickets).

Leicester: 169 and 394.

Morgan (111) and Longfield (120) were the principal scorers in the Cambridge first innings, while Blundell bowled with dead effect when Leicester went in to bat, taking 6 wickets for 25 runs.

Leicester, following-on, gave a splendid display.—Reader.

## Notts.

Notts have an enormous programme of 34 matches. Like Sussex, they meet every other county, and in addition play the West Indies at Trent Bridge and Cambridge University at Fenner. The prospects at the moment appear excellent, but much will, of course, depend on whether Larwood has made a complete recovery from the operation to his knee. He has been practising under cover, and is said to be "all right."

Everyone interested in cricket will sincerely hope that this is so, for Larwood is a fine fast bowler, and we shall want him in Australia next winter. A. W. Carr will, no doubt, as hitherto, not overwork him, but if the counties are going to indulge in these strenuous programmes fast bowlers will be rarer than ever. Too many counties and too many matches do not, to my mind, make for a higher standard of cricket, and it must not be forgotten that the golden era of fast bowling in England was when there were a much smaller fixture list.

All last season's players are, as usual, and W. V. Voce, who will not be 19 until August, may turn out to be the left-handed bowler Notts are anxiously awaiting. I was disappointed with him when I saw him bowl at Canterbury last August. His arm struck me at rather low, and he did not spin the ball. I am told, however, that he was far from being at his best on that occasion. A great point in his favour is his splendid fielding; he throws like an Australian.

Robinson is another left-hander who is described as "promising" and amongst the likely young men on the ground staff are G. V. Gunn, a son of George Gunn, Shipton, and Keeler, all of whom batted well for the 2nd XI. The Lancashire match at Trent Bridge has been given to Barratt as a benefit. Barratt is not so fast a bowler as he was a few years back, but he still retains the powers to make the ball bounce on fast wickets. I have seen him make some huge drives—one in particular at the Oval dwells in my memory—and at one time he was something more than a good field at mid-off. He reminds me in build of what I imagine Alfred Myrin to have been, and his good services to Notts deserve appreciation. L. Kirk, who has done great work for the Second XI, will again lead that team.

## Stimulus Needed.

"As I see it to-day, the British colonial administration on its political, legal, and financial side needs very little control and very little interference on the part of the Colonial Office, but great

## CROWN COLONY PROBLEMS.

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## The Other End.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore, after heartily agreeing with this interpolation, said it was essential that members of the permanent staff of the Colonial Office should know what it looked like at the other end of the telescope. He had with him on his present tour a member of the permanent staff of the Colonial Office, and also a member of the Empire Marketing Board. The latter body, which was the creation of the present Government, was the result of the last two Imperial Conferences, and it represented the first contribution of His Majesty's Government in Great Britain towards the cause of Empire trade. It administered a considerable sum of money allocated annually for the promotion of scientific development and research throughout the Empire. That policy probably owed more to Mr. Amery than to any other man, and if there was one thing Mr. Amery cared about more than anything else at present it was the improvement of the control and status and emoluments of the technical services on which the future economic expansion of the Empire depended.

"The Colonial Office at the present time conceives itself to be not so much the political controller of various colonial governments, but as the co-ordinator of the new twentieth century spirit of the further application of science in medicine, agriculture, industry, and education."

## Technical Services.

The most important report from that conference was one which dealt with the improvement of the pay, status, and numbers of the agricultural services in the tropical dependencies. That was one of the most important tasks at present before the colonial administrations. Hitherto they had lost from their agricultural services some of their very best men, owing to neglect and lack of support, and these men had gone and built up other people's industries elsewhere. Further, unless something was done it might be difficult in future to recruit the type of man they required. The first hopes of the Colonial Office were based upon the co-operation of the Colonies in the development of their scientific and technical services.

## Dangers of Education.

Their President had said that he regarded education as one of the panaceas. Mr. Ormsby-Gore continued. Education had been the tool with which he had been principally associated at the Colonial Office, but so far from regarding it as a panacea, he regarded it unless wisely directed—as being possibly one of the most dangerous things that had been invented. (Hear, hear.) Good education might make better citizens and it might make for greater expansion and extension of life, but bad education could land the British Empire in the most deadly perils and dangers. He spoke in the presence of their Director of Education and it seemed to him that Malaya's problems were his (the speaker's problems). There were the same problems in every Colony that he had visited—and this was his twenty-third.

## Bad School Textbooks.

He had visited something like a thousand schools in different parts of the Empire and for the most part the textbooks in use were about as ill-suited to the people who were reading them as they could be. A large number of pupils were taught with the principal object of passing a particular examination, the suitability of which was very doubtful. (Hear, hear.) He had also found that they were spreading the use of the English language, and quite rightly, but they were also spreading an English diction which was really in the nature of a tragedy in many places. He did not say that in criticism of Colonial Governments, because he realised what a long uphill job it was to improve matters, but he was certain that no one colonial administration could solve its problems by itself.

There was much more chance of solving the three problems he had mentioned by interchange of experience and knowledge.

"Hitherto the tendency has been for every colonial administration to work in every watertight compartment, without knowledge of what was going on in other colonies right around the tropical world, and the first function of the Colonial Office is to break down that parochialism and to ensure that, that effective interchange is brought about. It is not our intention that no one colonial administration could solve its problems by itself; there was much more chance of solving the three problems he had mentioned by interchange of experience and knowledge.

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In conclusion, Mr. Ormsby-Gore said that he had endeavoured to give them a picture of what the Colonial Office outlook was to-day. The Colonial Office was a centre to promote co-operative development and the application of twentieth century science to twentieth century problems, and to see that all the technical services throughout the Colonial empire were given the right backing by official and unofficial communities and developed to the utmost. That was easily the most important and significant part of the duty of the Secretary of State for the Colonies. (Applause.)

## PROSPERITY IN CANADA.

AMERICAN FORECAST TRADE SUCCESS.

Ottawa, Apr. 8. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics monthly review shows that the index of the physical volume of business in Canada reached a new high level of 162.4 in February, compared with 159 in January.

According to a survey of Canadian conditions and business trends, published by the Sherman Corporation, prominent in the United States for their business forecasts, Canada is entering on a long era of independent prosperity, regardless of the course of business in the United States. The survey says the net profit condition of Canadian industry in 1927 was considerably better than that in the United States. 80 per cent of the reporting Canadian companies declaring increased profits for the year, as compared with only 51 per cent in the United States.

The installation of new machinery, the development in new merchandising plans and reductions in manufacturing costs per unit of production are given as the three major trends in Canadian industry during the past year.

The survey notes that Canada is in an era of mergers. This has been more noticeable in the past three months, with the mergers of steel, power, and paper corporations, canning, biscuit and brewery companies, and organisations to further co-operative and agricultural marketing societies.

## UNPRECEDENTED RACE SCENE.

London, Apr. 21. An unprecedented racing incident occurred during the Ledbury Steeplechase to-day.

A horse named "Ben" cleared the last jump and won its race by a head.

It then crashed into a fence and fell dead with a broken neck.

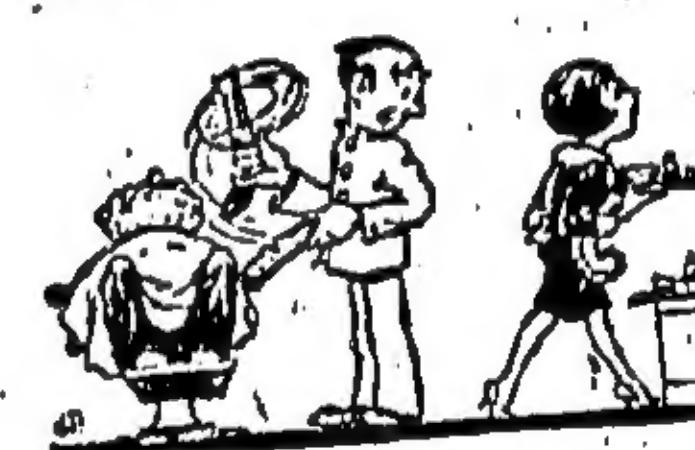
The owner, who was riding, was knocked senseless.

Backers were in suspense as regards the result as the owner was unable to weigh-in.

Finally he was carried on a stretcher to the scales, weighed in and declared the winner.

## LETTER GOLF.

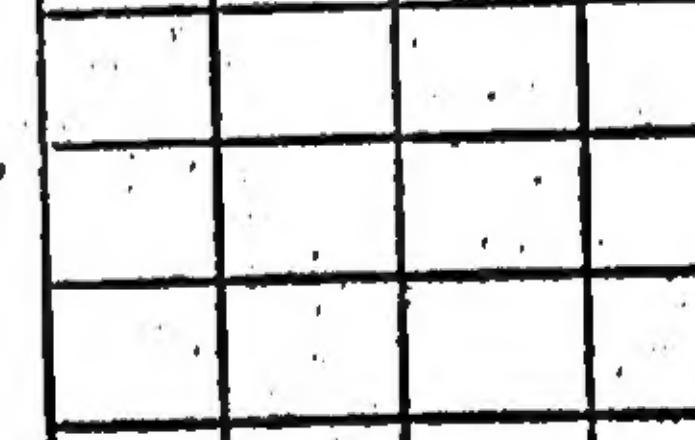
There's just one dull step in this puzzle and that's the first one, and



it ends up keen to make up for it.

From DULL to KEEN is a pair.

D U L L



K E E N

1.—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in pair, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HBW, HEN.

2.—You can change only one letter at a time.

3.—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.

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**LAWN TENNIS.****INTERPORT MATCHES WITH  
SHANGHAI.**

Mr. D. S. Green, the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, has received a letter from Mr. C. W. Hampson, the Hon. Secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association, with regard to the forthcoming visits of Hongkong teams to Shanghai. In the course of his letter, Mr. Hampson says:

"It is understood by this Association that under present arrangements Messrs. Rumjahn, Fincher and Ng Sze-kwong will come to Shanghai on the same ship as the Interport cricket team and that Mr. Fincher will probably be an active member of the cricket team also. The Interport cricket match will be played on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, May 20, 21 and 22, with Sunday, May 27, and Wednesday, May 30, as 'open' dates for the cricketers. Under these circumstances, it is proposed by this Association that the Interport tennis matches shall take place on those two days, i.e., the Sunday and Wednesday, and that if the players wish for play on other days this can be arranged after they arrive here. It is suggested that there shall be two doubles matches on the Sunday and three singles matches on the Wednesday."

"As to the ladies, everything so far has been unofficial and nothing definite is known by this Association beyond the fact that the Hongkong ladies may be expected to arrive here on or before May 20. No difficulty is anticipated in arranging a suitable programme of matches for them, including Interport singles and doubles."

It is understood that there is now some doubt as to whether Ng Sze-kwong will be able to go. Fincher is going up with the cricket team, and Rumjahn has also intimated that he is prepared to make the trip. Honda cannot get away. However, it is not anticipated that any difficulty will be experienced in getting a team.

If the ladies send a team, Mrs. Tottenham is almost certain to be a member and it is quite probable that her husband, Dr. R. E. Tottenham, and H. D. Rumjahn will be invited to make up the men's team, particularly in view of the fact that it is hardly likely that the Hongkong cricket captain will allow Fincher to play on the Sunday. Shanghai Association's Meeting.

A meeting of the Full Council of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association took place on Tuesday of last week, when certain definite arrangements in connexion with the 1928 season were made. With the idea of centralizing control and facilitating the active work of the Association, it was decided to appoint a small executive committee of three in addition to the officers of the Association, the composition of the committee, as finally decided, being: Capt. E. J. M. Barrett, Mr. N. Leslie, Mr. G. F. Forshaw, Mr. H. Gullek, Mr. T. Egawa. The Executive Committee will meet whenever necessary, and periodical meetings of the Full Council will be called as occasion demands.

Preliminary arrangements were decided on in regard to the visit of a team from Tientsin, which is expected to arrive about the end of June or the beginning of July.

Approval was given to a suggestion that two teams from Hongkong (ladies and men) should visit Shanghai in the near future to play Interport tennis. It is probable that the ladies team will arrive in time to commence play on or about May 20; while it is fairly definite that the men will accompany the Interport cricketers. The composition of the Hongkong ladies team is not known, but the men will probably be Messrs. Rumjahn, Fincher and Ng Sze-kwong. It was decided to accept the kind offer of the Shanghai and Hongkong Hotels again to place the Majestic Hotel lawn at the disposal of the Association for special matches, and it is probable that the Interport matches will be played there.

**UNIVERSITY UNION.****INCOME INSUFFICIENT FOR  
SPORTS NEEDS.**

The University Union, with its various literary, athletic and social organisations, continues to be a means by which the students of the University are brought into touch with one another and with the public of the Colony, says the annual report. The University Athletic Association had a most successful year and the Cricket Club won both the Senior and Junior Lengus competitions. The team spirit, encouraged by games, is being reflected in the life and general bearing of the students, whose conduct during the year under review has been exemplary.

The University cannot afford to make any annual grant to the Union, which has consequently to be financially self-supporting. This is quite right so far as running expenses are concerned, but the income derived from the annual subscriptions of the members (all students must be members of the Union) is not sufficient to keep the various grounds with their pavilions, their wire fences and their athletic equipment, in proper working order.

It is humiliating to be always begging, but it is perhaps not realized that the University Athletic Ground on the Pokfulam Road is one of the few athletic grounds of the Colony and that it is not infrequently lent free to schools and clubs for sports and cricket matches. The smallest contribution towards general upkeep would be gratefully received. The University Athletic Association would seem to have a rather special claim on the University's old students.

**GREYHOUND RACING.****AT THE MACAO CHARITY  
FAIR.**

The enterprising secretaries of the Macao Fair to be held in October, have completed arrangements to introduce greyhound racing to be run daily in conjunction with the Fair.

The sport will doubt be a great attraction. The greyhounds which are coming out from England, will be on exhibition daily under the superintendence of a qualified veterinary surgeon and trainer.

Mr. J. Williams, late manager of the Majestic Hotel, Shanghai, and Raffles, Singapore, has been appointed general manager of the enterprise. Any who may be interested in owning or keeping their own greyhounds may communicate with Mr. Williams, care of Kowloon Hotel, Kowloon, Hongkong.

As noticed in other columns, admission-souvenir tickets for the Fair are now available, and may be obtained from the organising secretaries of the Macao Charity and Commercial Fair, Macao.

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**SHANGHAI RACES.****ANOTHER GOOD DAY FOR  
MR. POTE HUNT.**

Mr. Pote Hunt was again the most successful rider in the second day of the Shanghai Spring Meeting yesterday when he was placed in eight races out of thirteen. The following are the results of yesterday's races. The Par-Mutuel Cup (7 furlongs).

Mr. Billy Reynell's Amendment (Mr. Halmovitch) 1

Mr. Allan's Eliran (Mr. Encarnacao) 2

Mr. Day's Goyerland (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 3

Time.—1 min. 47 2/6 secs.

The Chu-Ka-Za Cup (3/4 Mile).

Mr. Eve's Wedding Eve (Mr. Pote Hunt) 1

Mr. Day's Poppyland (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 2

Messrs. M. and L.G.W.'s Western Park (Mr. Encarnacao) 3

Time.—1 min. 29 1/5 secs.

The Grand Stand Stakes (1/4 miles).

Messrs. We Two's Shorty McGeo (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. Eve's Engagement Eve (Mr. Pote Hunt) 2

Mr. Massachusetts Mongol Boy (Mr. Sajudah) 3

Time.—2 min. 39 2/5 secs.

The Peking Cup (1 Mile).

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. White's White Rosemary (Mr. Pote Hunt) 1

Messrs. Bailey and Springfield's Sahara (Mr. Springfield) 2

Mr. Ciro's Prettylight (Mr. Eric Moller) 3

Time.—2 mins. 10 2/5 secs.

The Shanghai Derby (1 1/2 Miles).

Mr. Toeg's Alligator (Mr. Halmovitch) 1

Messrs. Bill and John's Tom Pendrell (Mr. Heard) 2

Time.—3 mins. 12 1/5 secs.

The Shanghai Race Club Handicap (1/4 Miles) "A."

Messrs. Mollers' Ltd. Wynn (Mr. Eric Moller) 1

Mrs. Jack Liddell's Jummy Winter (Mr. Maitland) 2

Time.—2 mins. 46 secs.

The Shanghai Race Club Handicap "B."

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. White's White Lodge (Mr. Wells) 1

Mr. Harriman's Souvenir (Mr. Sajudah) 2

Mr. Harry White's Don Basuto (Mr. Halmovitch) 3

Time.—2 mins. 42 1/2 secs.

The Shekwei Cup (1/4 Miles).

Mr. Day's New Zealand (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 1

Mr. Campion's Old Bill (Mr. Maitland) 2

Mr. Dod's MacNab (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 3

Time.—2 mins. 41 secs.

The Sturry Stake (7 furlongs).

Mr. Eve's Easter Eve (Mr. Pote Hunt) 1

Mr. Ciro's Roverlight (Mr. Eric Moller) 2

Messrs. P. M. Lancaster and W. A. White's Sarnia (Mr. McCann) 3

Time.—1 min. 47 1/5 secs.

The Tientsin Plate (1 Mile).

Mr. Dod's Mackay (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 1

Mrs. Jack Liddell's Double Zero (Mr. Maitland) 2

Mr. Massachusetts Frisco Boy (Mr. Sajudah) 3

Time.—2 mins. 42 2/5 secs.

The Hankow Handicap (1 Mile).

Mr. Toeg's Spearman (Mr. Halmovitch) 1

Mr. Toeg's Canadian (Mr. Maitland) 2

Messrs. McBain and Sokoloff's Vasylock (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

Time.—1 min. 58 3/6 secs.

The Wuchang Cup (1/4 Mile).

Messrs. We Two's Oh Kay (Mr. Maitland) 1

Mr. Dod's Profitable (Mr. G. A. Pollock) 2

Mr. F. P. Marshall's The Duke (Mr. Pote Hunt) 3

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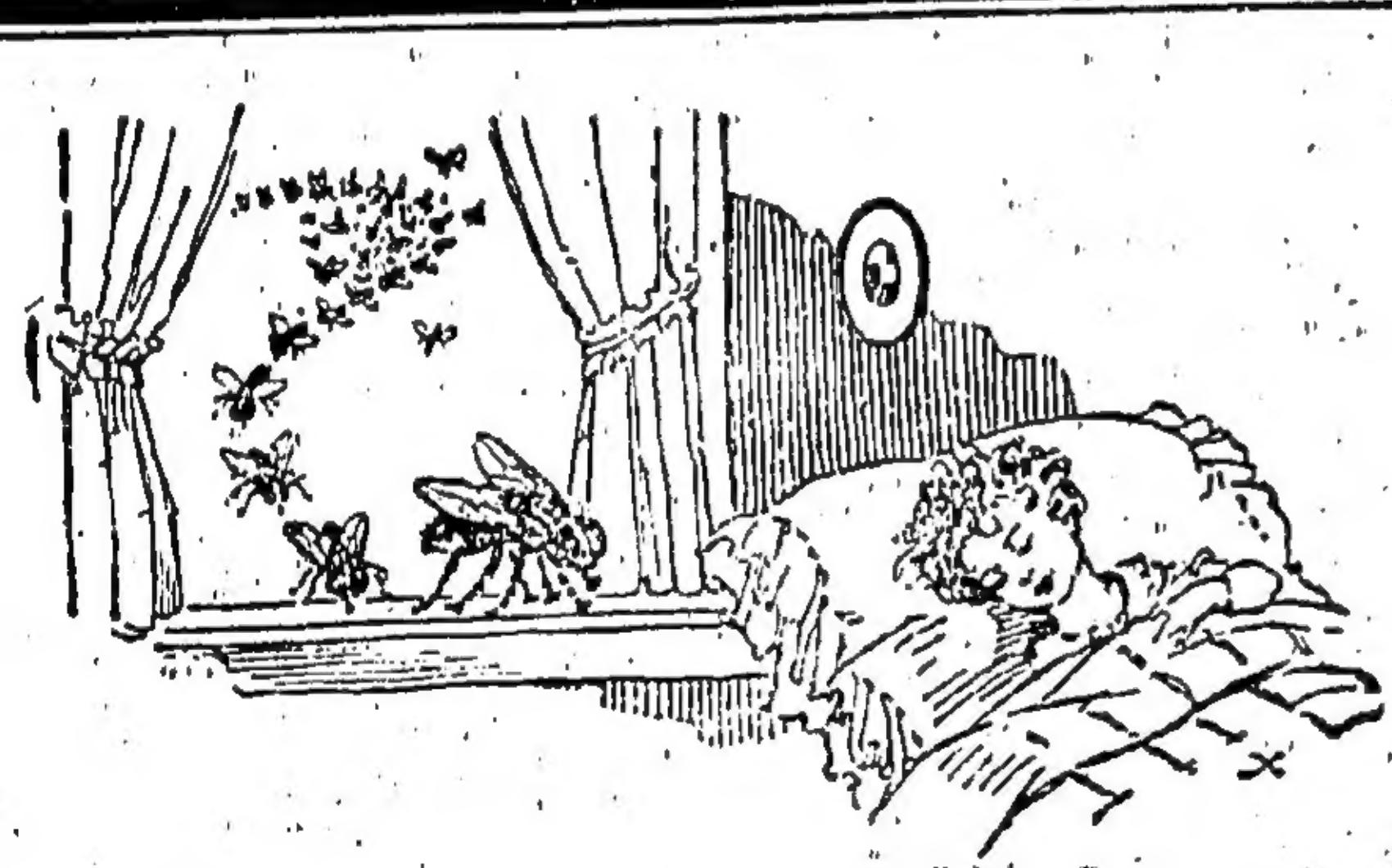
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## OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

### STAMMERING FREQUENTLY CAUSED BY FEAR.

Most investigators to-day believe that stammering is definitely associated with some disturbance of the emotions.

It occurs particularly in persons who have an underlying tendency to excitability. If a child stammers, the investigator tries to find out the particular cause in his environment or in his life history which is responsible.

Sometimes an older brother or playmate is overbearing; sometimes the child is too much crowded in his work at school or at home; sometimes there are conditions which keep him constantly in a state of fear; either physical, mental or emotional. Under such circumstances, the proper procedure naturally involves removal of the child from the circumstances that are responsible.

The child may be encouraged to be tranquil while talking, and to avoid talking in the midst of excitement. Various methods have been evolved for causing the child to talk slowly and smoothly. These include the practice of rhymes, the mother or some other sympathetic person teaching the child by example, reciting the rhymes slowly and distinctly while he repeats them line by line in the same smooth, distinct manner.

Other methods involve the use of rhythmic exercises associated with the practice of speech, and the use of speech breathing manipulations, as well as other similar artificial techniques which are not to be especially recommended because of their artificiality.

In many instances the treatment of stammering involves consultation with an expert in child psychology, rather than with experts on speech or on diseases of the ear, nose and throat.

Nevertheless, the child may not talk well because it does not hear well, or because there are physical defects of the organs of speech which make talking difficult. It is probably advisable to be certain at once that the physical conditions are satisfactory before any long programme of speech or general education is undertaken.

### COST OF NATION'S AIRSHIPS.

### BIG SAVING ON PRIVATELY BUILT VESSEL.

Criticisms of the expenditure of all three Services are made in the first and second reports of the Select Committee on Estimates, published from the Stationery Office.

In particular, attention is drawn to the disparity between the cost of R. 101, the airship being built by the Government, and R. 100, which is constructed under contract for a sum of £550,000. "Your Committee," states the report, "find that the ship being built by the Ministry will cost at least £150,000 more than the one being built under contract."

The contract airship is being built of duralumin; the other of stainless steel. But the steel is more expensive to work, which to some extent counterbalances the smaller prime cost. The Committee end the section dealing with airships by remarking that they realise that the proposal to build one airship by contract and one at Cardington was approved by Parliament, but they "consider it their duty to draw attention to the comparative cost to the two ships."

Both at the War Office and the Air Ministry, it is suggested, there is room for further reduction in the staffs of some sections. At the Admiralty, "while a comparison between the numbers of staff and the corresponding numbers of personnel and ships in commission in 1914 and 1917 respectively is misleading, nevertheless, substantial reductions can be made without impairing the efficiency of the Navy." And again. And again, "your Committee are of the opinion that the organisation of the Naval Staff, as now constituted, is unduly large and elaborate,"

### NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

### EIGHTEEN CASES REPORTED LAST WEEK.

The return of the Medical Officer of Health for last week gives eighteen cases of infectious disease, of which eight were smallpox, five diphtheria, two plague, two enteric fever and one paratyphoid fever. All were Chinese with the exception of three British and two American cases of diphtheria. There were seven deaths from being Chinese.

### CLAIM FOR \$40,000 DAMAGES.

### THE DEFENDANT GIVES EVIDENCE.

The defence of Tsang Fook in the \$40,000 claim in the Supreme Court opened yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, when the defendant himself stated that he had not made a cent and had lost \$200. He further stated that he accepted the cheques in good faith.

Lost \$200.

The defendant gave evidence corroborating Mr. Jenkins' remarks and said that he had not made a cent out of the transactions with Iu Po-lun but on the figures alone he had really lost approximately \$200.

Cross-examined by Mr. Potter defendant said that before he opened the business he worked for the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company for two years. He had also been abroad, to Europe and America, for between four and five years where he learnt the art of tuning instruments and he had also been a ship's carpenter. The Tsang Fook business was the first with which he had been connected.

Answering further questions defendant said that Iu Po-lun had sold large quantities of goods for him (defendant) since 1915, on a commission basis of five per cent. Defendant believed Iu to be a man of wealth and affluence.

Defendant Reprimanded.

Mr. Potter asked whether it was not unusual for a wealthy Chinese gentleman to be connected with the firm on a commission basis.

Defendant was proceeding to make a statement with regard to the question when his Lordship intervened and, after reprimanding him and reminding him that he was only required to answer questions, again asked the question, which the defendant replied to in the affirmative.

Mr. Potter:—Will you give me the names of any wealthy Chinese who have earned commission for you. If you don't like to disclose their names in public write them down.

Defendant replied that he could tell of one recent case and proceeded to write the name down.

When the slip of paper was handed to his Lordship he observed that the name was that of a lady and, as defendant did not give his brother's name on being asked, his Lordship held that the question had not been answered.

Replying to further questions by Mr. Potter defendant said that he was a "little surprised" when Iu Po-lun brought the order cheque as before he had always paid his bills in cash.

Mr. Potter:—Can you suggest any reason why Iu Po-lun should suddenly have a cheque for that amount made out in the name of your bank so that you might be able to cash it?—I do not know.

He went on to say that he asked Iu why the cheque was not in his own name and he replied it was quite all right and that if he (Tsang Fook) could not cash it he could return it to him (Iu Po-lun).

On the question being repeated defendant said he understood that Iu was buying articles for the firm and said that \$1,200 would be enough for the moment. He believed that Iu was buying furniture for the firm and the firm had even bought a piano.

Defendant's Belief.

Mr. Potter:—Do you suggest that the firm issued that cheque to Iu Po-lun so that he might be able to pay his own debts?—He told me he used his own money and he got the manager to issue a cheque once a month. Defendant added he was led to believe that Iu Po-lun had already spent \$4,000 odd for the firm who had repaid him by means of the cheque.

Mr. Potter:—If it is true that this cheque was really a reimbursement to Iu Po-lun, and was therefore his own money that he had expended for the firm, can you give me any reason at all as to why the cheque should not have been made out payable to Iu Po-lun himself?—I did not think about that.

His Lordship:—Well, I suppose you can give no reason?—I don't know.

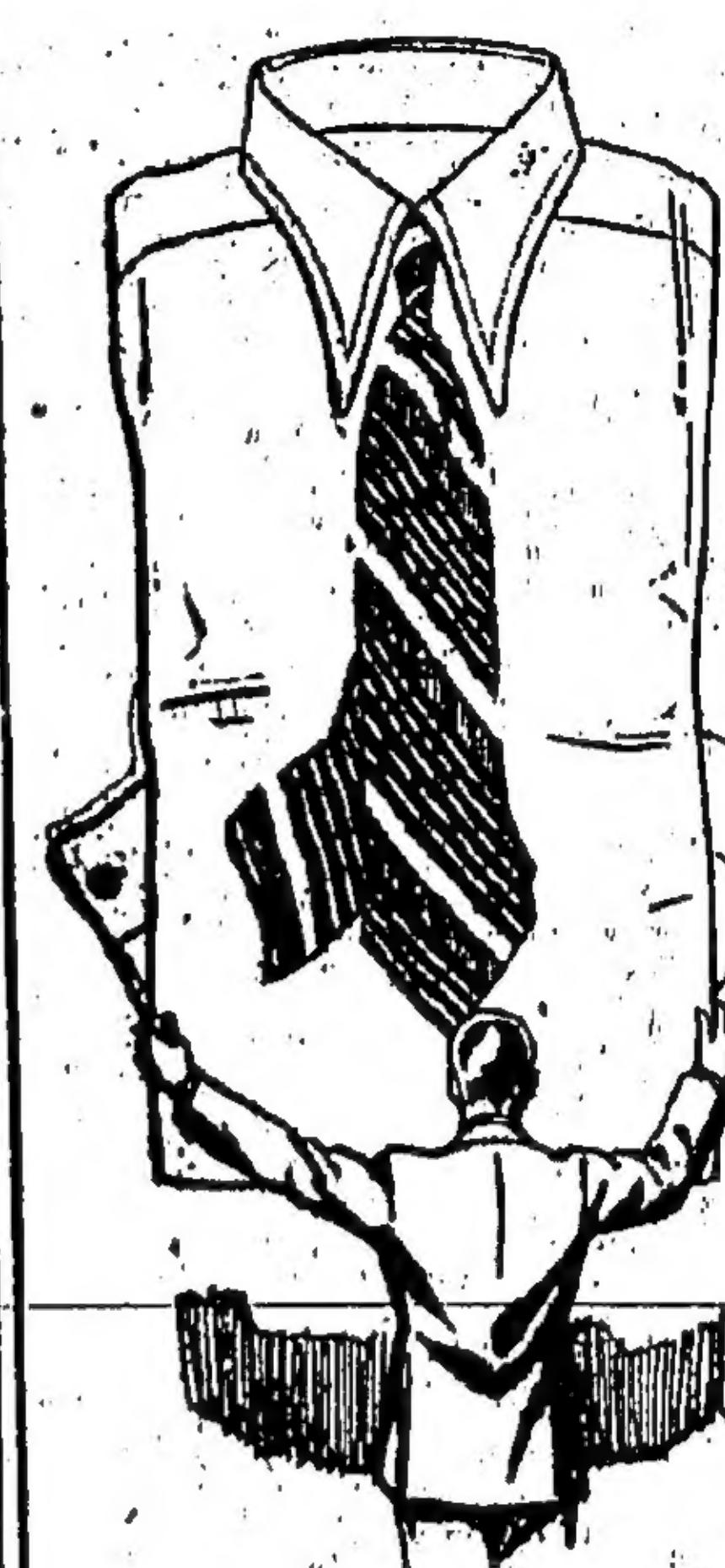
Mr. Potter:—Did it not strike you as odd at the time?—It seemed a little bit strange.

The case was adjourned.

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## CHAPTER XXXI.

Before she reached him Sally almost fainted with horror, for in the pale light of the dawn she saw that David's shirt about his left shoulder was soaked with blood. But his uninjured right arm was stretched out in urgent invitation, and his voice was halting her gaily, in spite of his terrible weakness and fatigue.

"Dear little Sally!" he cried huskily, as his right arm swept her against his breast. "Why aren't you in bed, darling? But I'm glad you're not. I've been able to keep plodding on in the hope of seeing you. Did you think I'd run away, and leave you? Poor little Sally!"

"I suppose Mrs. Bybee has told you that I was leaving the show train to go to the carnival grounds to see if anything had happened to Sally. I'd have gone sooner, but the storm was so violent that I knew I'd not have chance to get there. Mrs. Bybee said she was going to the lot and would look after Sally for me, but she wanted me to stay on the train, or near it, to patrol it. She didn't tell me there was a lot of money in her stateroom, or I'd have stationed myself in there."

"You see," Sally interrupted eagerly. "I told you I hadn't said a word to him about the safe."

"Safe?" David glanced down at her, puzzled. "So this Steve crook cracked a safe to get the money, did he? I didn't know—didn't have time to find out."

"And I told you it was a man named Steve!" Sally reminded him joyously, raising David's cold hand to her lips. "They thought I was making it all up, Dave, but they believed me after a while."

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"Anybody else in the whole outfit could have told you that," Bybee chuckled. "It's all right, Dave. Carnival-folks usually mind their own business and mind damn little time telling tales."

"I'm glad you're not blaming me," David said gratefully. "Well, sir, I was walking up and down the tracks, just wild to get away and see if anything had happened to Sally, when suddenly I heard a soft thud like somebody jumping to the ground on the other side of the train. I crossed over as quick as I could, but by that time the train was running down the side of the train pretty far ahead of me. It was Nita and a man. They must have been hidden on the train, waiting their chance, when the storm broke—were there when Mrs. Bybee left."

"I suppose they hadn't counted on such luck; had probably intended to overpower her before you got back, sir, and the storm saved them the trouble."

"I'd have given them a run for the money," Mrs. Bybee retorted grimly, her skinny old hand knotting into a menacing fist. "That's just what I did," David grunted rather whitely at her. "I yelled at them to stop, because I had an idea they'd been up to something, since they'd jumped off this car, and I knew Nita had business on the train, since all our people were sleeping on the lot."

"It was David, opening his eyes dazedly just then, who answered: "No other doctor, please. I'm a fugitive from justice, remember. If I could have some coffee now I think I could tell you what happened, Mr. Bybee."

A dozen eager voices outside the stateroom door offered to get the coffee from the privilege car, and within a few minutes Sally was kneeling before David, holding a cup of steaming black coffee to his lips.

As many of the carnival family as could crowd into the small space of the car aisle pressed against the end of the train they climbed.

## "THE MISSING LINK."

## SYD CHAPLIN'S BIG NEW COMEDY.

The comical hero of "Charley's Aunt," "Oh! What a Nurse," "The Man on the Box" and a dozen other big comedy successes, Syd Chaplin, will be seen in a brand new comedy, "The Missing Link," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from Sunday to Tuesday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. Syd Chaplin in this success.

open door of the stateroom to hear into a car that was parked on the road that runs alongside the tracks, and after telling me goodbye with another bullet that missed me, too, Steve had the car started. I was about to give up and start toward Capital City to notify the police when I noticed there was a handcar on the tracks, just where this spur joins the main line.

"I threw the switch and in a minute I had the handcar on the main line and was pumping along after them. The state road parallels the railroad track for five or six miles, you know, and I could make nearly as good time in my handcar as they could in their sliver, for it's a down grade nearly all the way." He paused, his eyes closing wearied as if every muscle in his body ached with the memory of that terrible ride in the dead of night.

"Better rest awhile, Dave," Pop Bybee suggested gently, bending over the boy to wipe the cold drops of sweat from his forehead.

"No, I'll get it over with," David protested weakly. "There's not much more to tell. They couldn't see me—had no idea I was trailing them in the handcar. But I could keep them in sight because of their headlights. I guess they'd have given up, though, if a freight train hadn't come along just then and blocked the road. They were just reaching the grade crossing where the state road cuts the railroad tracks when this freight came charging down on us."

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"Pretty wet after the storm, so I didn't go to sleep. I'd jumped to the other side of the tracks and was hidden from Steve's car while the freight train rolled on. They didn't stop to hold a post-mortem over the handcar. Probably thought a tramp had been stealing a free ride on it and had got his, and good enough for him."

"When the train had passed I was waiting by the road for Steve's car. I guess he was pretty badly surprised when I hopped upon the running board and grabbed the steering wheel and swerved the car into a ditch, nearly turning it over. I don't remember much of what happened then, what with Nita screaming and Steve swearing and popping his gun at me. But somehow I managed to get his revolver—didn't know I'd been shot at first—and dragged him out of the car."

"It must have been a pretty good fight, for Nita decided to beat it before it was finished. She started off with one of the suitcases but it was too heavy and she dropped it in the road and lit out. If Nita could dance as well as she can run, David interrupted himself to grin at Bybee, "she'd be a real loss to the outfit."

"Well, Dave, even if Steve did get away with the money, my hat's off to you, boy," and he reached for the hand which Sally was still clutching jealously.

"They were carrying a couple of suitcases that looked suspiciously heavy to me. It flashed over me that Mrs. Bybee, being treasurer of the carnival, must have left a lot of money in her stateroom, and that Nita and this Steve chap had been planning to rob her when Sally and I heard them talking the other night. I started after them, still yelling for them to stop, and Steve turned and fired at me. He missed me, lucky for me, and I kept right on."

"Who's telling this?" David demanded, with just a touch of boyish bravado, which made Sally love him better than ever. "He didn't get away. I'm afraid he won't be good for much for a long time. Nita should have stayed to look after him."

"The money, Dave!" Mrs. Bybee screamed. "You didn't save the money, did you, Dave? Where are you, Winsfield Bybee? I'm giving you fair warning! If he saved that money, I'm going to faint dead away!"

## DIVORCE FOR MRS. CHRISTIE.

## SENSATIONAL FLIGHT FROM HUSBAND RECALLED.

London, Apr. 20.

The novelist, Mrs. Agatha Christie, whose alleged loss of memory, disappearance and subsequent discovery at Harrogate created a sensation in 1926, has been granted a decree nisi, on the ground of the adultery of her husband, Colonel Archibald Christie.

## A MICHAEL ARLEN STORY.

## CLEVER FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.

"The Ace of Cads," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, is a typical Michael Arlen story, which has been adapted to the screen with remarkable success. It concerns two young Guards officers who fall in love with the same girl, one of which betrays the other and so wins her for himself. The betrayer, however, is killed in the War, and then ensue developments which are better left to be discovered by those who have not yet seen the film. Suffice it to say that a very clever story has been contrived and that the attention is firmly held to the very last flicker. The settings for this film are, for the greater part, in England, and they are all that could be wished. The acting, too, is most powerful throughout; indeed, in this respect "The Ace of Cads" is one of the best films we have seen here for some time. Adolphe Menjou plays the title role with brilliant success, whilst Alice Joyce adds to her already high reputation by her handling of the part of the disillusioned woman. Norman Trevor, Philip Strange and Suzanne Fleming all contribute to the success of the film in other roles.

Those who like an entertaining story, with many clever twists and turns to it, should make a point of seeing "The Ace of Cads."

## FORGED CHEQUE.

## ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD HO HONG BANK.

Two youthful Chinese of the labouring class were committed to the Assizes at Singapore last week by the Third Police Magistrate (Mr. C. H. Dakers) on a charge of using a forged Ho Hong Bank cheque for \$8,950.

In reply to Court-Inspector Farquharson (prosecuting) witness stated that on April 12 a Chinese presented at the Singapore office the cheque in question, a Muar cheque, signed by a Chinese. He was informed that it would have to be sent to Muar for collection. He was asked to return on April 16, and left with a receipt.

From the Muar branch the bank received information that the cheque was forged, and when on April 16 the two prisoners presented the receipt for collection the police were communicated with and they were given into custody.

## LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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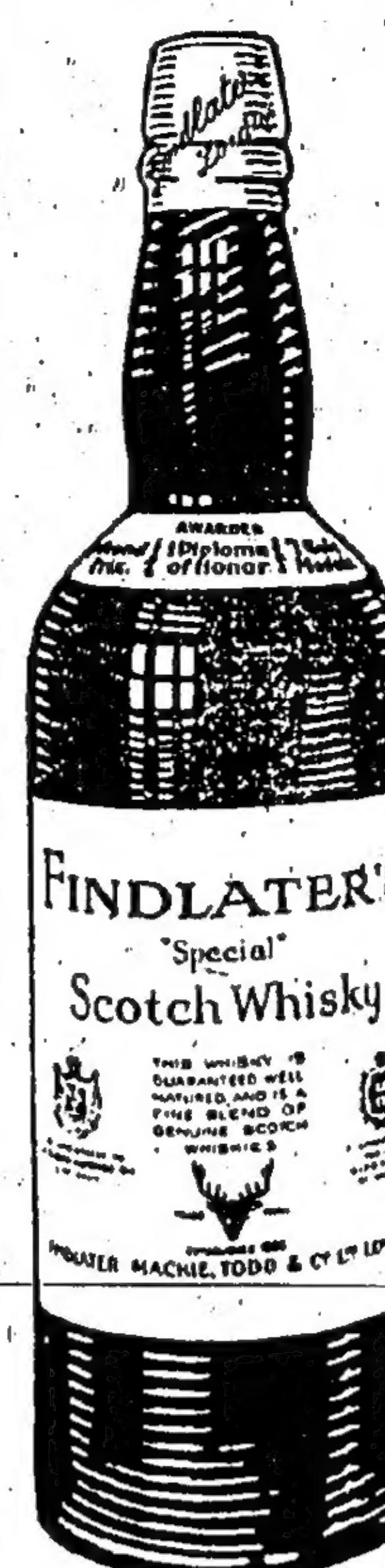
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## ALLEGED FRAUD:

### WOMAN VICTIMISED BY "WHITE PIGEON" RUSE.

The story of the sale and subsequent disappearance of a young Chinese girl under suspicious circumstances was related to Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when three women were charged with obtaining \$235 by what is commonly known among Chinese as the "flying the white pigeon" trick.

In answer to the charges the first and third defendants pleaded that they were merely the go-betweens in the transaction. The second accused admitted receiving the money but denied that the girl, after the sale, was enticed away.

Sergeant Mottram prosecuted and describing the facts of the case to his Worship, mentioned on April 5 the first and third defendants went to the complainant's house at No. 345, Nathan Road, and offered a girl, 18 years old, for sale.

The complainant's wife saw the two women and intimated that she had no desire to purchase the girl.

The two women informed her that the child's father was ill in the country and the mother required money to pay his medical expenses. The women broke into tears when relating their story and the complainant's wife then agreed to accept the girl. She obtained the necessary money (\$235) from her husband, but before paying the women suggested that a document of sale should be drawn up.

A document, showing the legality of the sale, was accordingly presented to the complainant's wife that Lung-hwa arsenal was the objective. Two others were dropped near Shanghai South station and the others at different points in the city. One or two buildings were damaged, and two women were hurt, but beyond that the raid achieved nothing of a military value except great consternation among the people.

One of the women was overheard by the complainant's amah to remark to the girl that if she (the woman) were to return to the house the girl was to open the door on hearing her name called out.

Later a female mendicant went to the house and after telling the complainant's wife a distressing tale she was given twenty cents.

She then went away. The following day the second defendant, who claimed to be the girl's mother, went to the complainant's house and asked where her daughter was.

Some five hours previous to that, said Sergeant Mottram, the girl had disappeared. The amah recognised the mother as the mendicant woman who had visited the house earlier.

The complainant, who was a returned Californian merchant, was related to a policeman in the local Force and the matter was reported to him. On enquiry made this man located the three women and investigations were then instituted by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Evidence bearing out Sergeant Mottram's opening was then given, after which the case was adjourned.

## UNCONFIRMED REPORT

### MURDER OF PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA?

New York, May 8.

An unconfirmed report has been received that Senor Gomez, President of Venezuela, has been assassinated—Reuters' American Service.

As far as can be gathered, the raid was operated from the Nor-

## SHANGHAI BOMBED.

### NORTHERN SEAPLANES MAKE DARING RAID.

Shanghai, May 4. Executing remarkable tactics the like of which have never been seen in this part of China before, two Northern seaplanes, operating from a cruiser in the Yangtze river off Woosung, carried out a daring air raid on Shanghai yesterday, dropping ten or a dozen bombs at various points at Lung-hwa and the Chinese city. Little damage was done and there were only a few casualties, but this raid, bringing the war 500 miles from Shantung, created tremendous excitement. The two seaplanes operated from the big Northern cruiser Hai Chi, which cleared the way for their raid by engaging Nationalist warships in battle outside Woosung yesterday morning.

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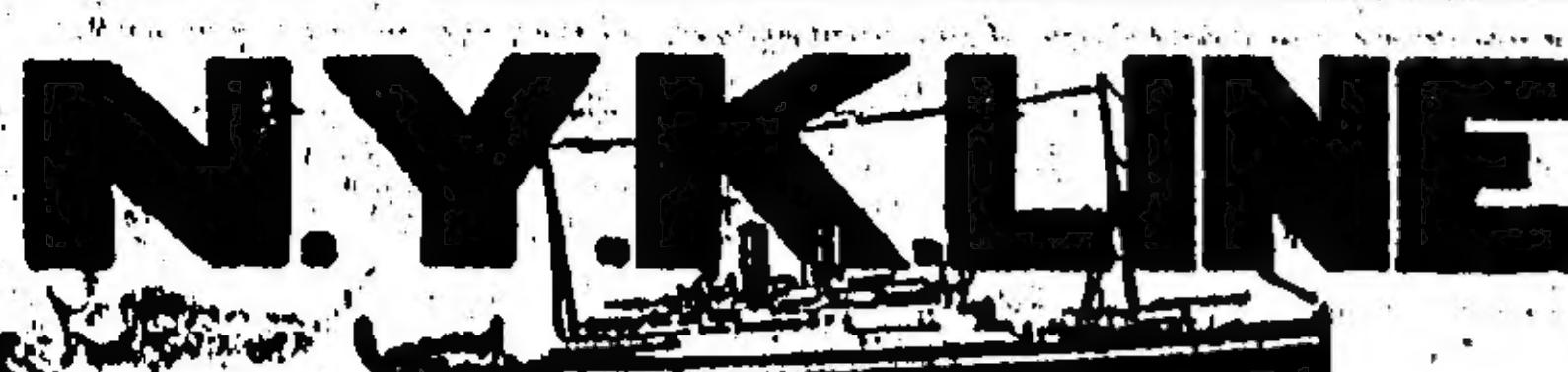
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## CAROL'S INTRIGUE.

### "REASONABLE TIME" ALLOWED.

London, May 8. A Scotland Yard official this morning visited the Surrey house where ex-Prince Carol of Rumania is staying and acquainted him of the decision that he must leave England after a "reasonable time" during which to arrange his departure.—Reuter.

### No Longer Welcome.

London, May 8. Ex-Prince Carol's Surrey host, M. Jonescu, interviewed by Reuter said that the "impossible had happened—the prince had got to leave England. The sad news was conveyed to him verbally by Inspector Haynes but no reason was given." He added that Carol was lunching at the Savoy to-day, after which he had intended to see the greyhound racing but was too upset to enjoy the latter. The Prince was surprised and unhappy and feels his position very keenly.

It is authoritatively stated that there is no question of deporting Carol, but as the activities of himself and his friends are likely to embarrass Rumania, which is a friendly country, he would be politely informed that his presence in England was no longer welcome.—Reuter.

### Peasants Pacified.

London, May 8. The German press is obliged to rely mainly on Vienna and Budapest for news regarding the situation in Rumania where the newspapers are severely censored. Some foreign journalists in Bucharest are reported to have been arrested for attempting to evade the censorship.

It is disclosed officially that 30,000 peasants who were marching on Bucharest from the congress at Alba Iulia were persuaded, on reaching Feleacu, to return to their homes. There were some clashes with the gendarmerie at various stations where the peasants tried to entrain without tickets. Numerous arrests were made, otherwise all as quiet.—Reuter.

### Change of Government Wanted.

Vienna, May 8. According to private advices from Bucharest the resolution adopted by the peasants' conference at Alba Iulia was more drastic than is officially admitted. The resolution empowered the people to use all possible means to remove the ruling government and declared that while the Rumanian people were monastically inclined they were capable of choosing a form of government more suitable to the interests of the country.

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### COAL MINE SABOTAGE.

#### RUSSIANS AND GERMANS TO BE CHARGED.

Moscow, May 8. As a result of the preliminary enquiry into the charge against persons accused of revolutionary conspiracy to wreck the coal mines in the Shakhty district in the Donets coal basin, 50 Russians and three Germans, will be charged with "economic counter-revolution."—Reuter.

The documents seized in con-

nection with the arrest of the com-

mandants, none of whom are Egyp-

tians, show that those arrested

were in direct relations with

Moscow from whence they received

funds for the work of propaganda

to induce Egyptian youths to go

to Moscow to study Bolshevik

principles.—Reuter.

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The master and his crew were

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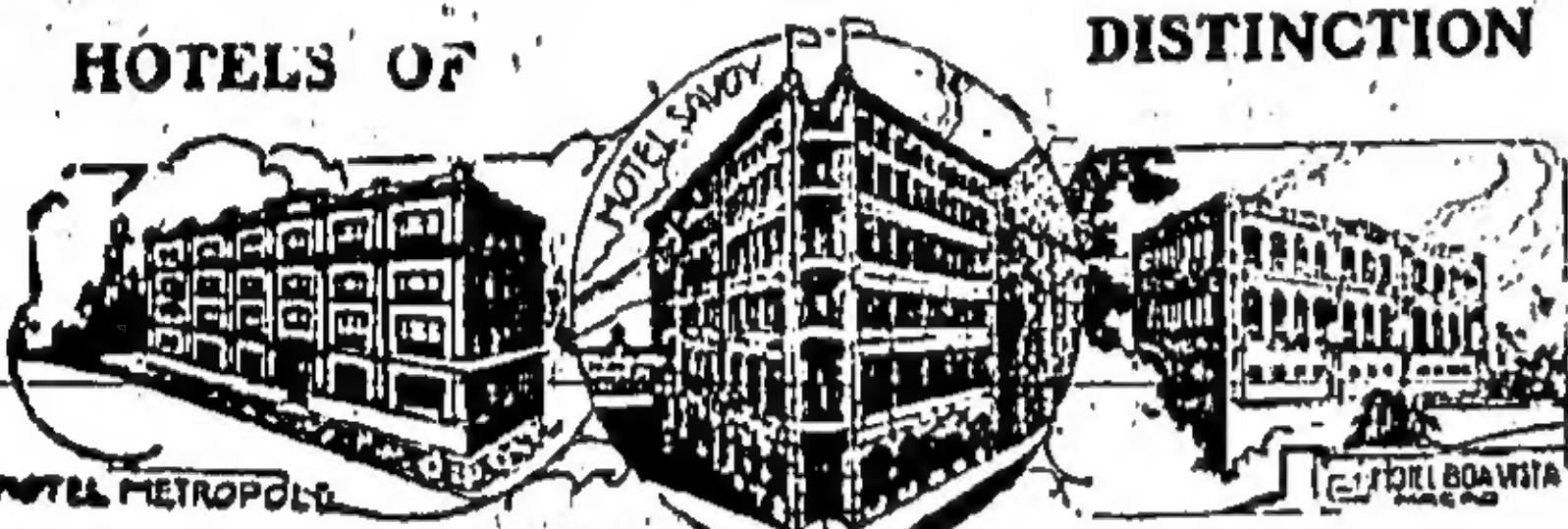
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## SHIPBUILDING LEAD.

London, May 8. It is being suggested it would not necessarily be advantageous for manufacturers to establish in this country systems for mass production of common qualities of steel products. It is declared that the position of industry is improving, manufacturers being convinced that this country has got back to the normal rate of steady increase that obtained before 1914.

It is noted that the motor industry is improving and that this country is likely to lead the world in the production of motor cycles, the only serious competitor being the United States. Britain also leads in pedal cycles, Germany coming next.

Great progress has been made since the war in electrical manufacturing. The output of lamps has been better since the war than before, and the exports of telegraph and telephone instruments and apparatus have increased. The export of electric lamps has more than trebled in the same period.

We have also regained our supremacy in shipbuilding. The tonnage launched in 1927 rose to nearly 54 per cent. of the world's output.—*British Wireless*.

## CAPTAIN DEWAR ARRIVES HOME.



Captain Dewar, of Royal Oak court-martial fame, stepping ashore from the P. and O. liner *Ramputa* at Woolwich, with his wife.

## STOP PRESS.

JAPANESE PREPARE  
FOR ACTION.CONVINCED OCCUPATION  
IS NECESSARY.

Tokyo, May 9:

The Navy Department has decided to despatch the cruisers "Apukuma" and "Jindzu" to Shanghai.—*Reuter*.

The newspapers are alive with reports of animation at Military Division Headquarters, relating to the despatch of telegraph, railway and flying contingents, the requisition of ships for transportation of troops and supplies, and the movements of cruisers and destroyers which are to be shortly sent to the Yangtze.

Despite the publication of gruesome stories of the massacre of Japanese civilians at Tsinan, the Chinese residents in Kobe and Osaka remain absolutely safe and unmolested.

Business men in Osaka who have previously opposed anything which might be called Japanese Imperialism by the Chinese now recognise that military occupation is necessary until all violence stops, the safety of Japanese residents is assured, and Treaty rights are fully respected.

They are perfectly prepared to suffer loss of business with China in the meantime.—*Reuter*.

SCOTS GUARDS O. C.  
DEPARTS.

## GIVEN ROUSING SEND-OFF.

Departing by the Empress of Russia to-day was Lieut. Col. Sir Victor A. F. Mackenzie, Bart., D.S.O., M.V.O., officer commanding the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, stationed at Shamshuipo Military Camp.

This popular officer was given a rousing send-off by practically the whole Battalion who gathered at the wharf this morning and loudly cheered as he boarded the liner. The men were not on parade but every available man was present.

Last night Sir Victor gave a dinner to the men at the Camp, after which the troops enthusiastically carried him round the camp with the pipers leading the way.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. The Lord Chancellor. 2. The Protection of Man and Thursday. 3. The Protection of Law and Order Act, which prohibits the sale of alcohol in the cities between March 1 and August 31 in each year. 4. The Carpathian Mountains, separating the T. W. frontier of the Soviet Empire from the South Siberian Central Asia. 5. A raft of logs hauled together. 6. Whilst 8.5-5% ounces. 7. On January 20, 1765, a squadron of French cavalry surprised and captured the Dutch fleet, which was frozen in the Texel. 8. Henry VII. 9. James I. 10. Bread made of maize-meal; (b) parched maize.

## The Demands.

Tokyo, May 8, 11.00 p.m.

It is reported from Tsinan that fighting in Tsinan opened this

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